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Intimations.

NOTICE.

A Special SESSION of HER MAJESTY'S JUSTICES of the PEACE will be held in the JUSTICES' ROOM, at the Magistracy at 2.15 o'clock in the Afternoon of TUESDAY, the 23rd day of March, A.D. 1897, for the purpose of considering an application from one SOPHY ABRAMOVITZ, for a Publican's Licence to sell and retail intoxicating Liquors on the premises situate at Nos. 45 and 47, Queen's Road East, under the Sign of 'THE PRINCE ALBERT HOTEL.'

WM. C. H. HASTINGS,
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MAGISTRACY,
Hongkong, 13th March, 1897. 532

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Intimations.

GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Eighth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL, on FRIDAY, the 19th March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors and Auditors.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 16th to 19th March, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. E. WINTERBURN,
General Manager.

Hongkong, March 11, 1897. 505

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Fourteenth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 22nd March, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1896, declaring a Dividend, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 22nd Instant, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers,

Hongkong, March 4, 1897. 452

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Eighth Ordinary Annual MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's OFFICE, No. 9, Praya Central, Victoria, on MONDAY, the 22nd March, at Twelve-thirty p.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the Year ending 31st December, 1896, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 22nd Instant, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers,

Hongkong, March 13, 1897. 523

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1896.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above OFFICE are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a LIST of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December, 1896, in order that the Distribution of BONUS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st day of March Instant, will be adjusted by the OFFICE, and no CLAIMS or ALTERATIONS will be subsequently Admitted.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LD.
Hongkong, March 1, 1897. 431

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

MEMBERS wishing to enter for the above will find LISTS on which to enter their names in the HONGKONG CLUB and in the CRICKET PAVILION.
Entries will CLOSE on the 20th MARCH.

Hongkong, March 11, 1897. 503

Intimations.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1,165.

A Regular MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 16th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED to attend.

Hongkong, March 16, 1897. 507

NOTICE.

THE DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN Accordance with the Provision of No. 19, of the Articles of Association, the General Managers, with the approval of the Consulting Committee, have THIS DAY Declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND at the Rate of 4 per Cent. for the Half-year ending 31st December, 1896, on the Paid-up Capital of the Company.
DIVIDEND WARRANTS PAYABLE on TUESDAY, 23rd Instant, will be issued to Shareholders.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 23rd Instant, both days inclusive.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers,

Hongkong, March 12, 1897. 509

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Nineteenth Ordinary Annual MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, at Noon, on SATURDAY, 27th March, for the purpose of receiving their Report, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1896.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th March, both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, March 6, 1897. 469

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Fifteenth Ordinary Annual MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, Peddar Street, at 12.30 p.m., on SATURDAY, 27th March, for the purpose of receiving their Report, and Statement of Accounts to 31st Dec., 1896.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th March, 1897, both days inclusive.
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Hongkong, March 9, 1897. 489

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Hongkong, March 13, 1897. 514

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THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

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Catalogues will be issued previous to the Sale.

On view from *Wednesday*, the 17th March.

TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
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Hongkong, March 16, 1897. 510

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On view from *Friday*, the 19th March.

TERMS of SALE:—As Customary.

GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, March 15, 1897. 535

OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the CALL of $1.50 per share on B shares numbered

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must be PAID to the Undersigned at the Office of the Company, 38 and 40 Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on or before the 16th day of March 1897; and Notice is also given that in the event of nonpayment of such call at the office of the Company aforesaid on or before the said 16th day of March 1897 the above mentioned shares will be liable to be forfeited.

Hongkong, March 1, 1897. 434

To-day's Advertisements.

STEAMSHIP *SALAZIE*.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from LONDON and HAVRE, ex S. S. *Memphis*; and BORDEAUX ex S. S. *Frederic Moret* and *Ville de Marseille*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables—are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY (Tuesday), the 16th Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after TUESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before TUESDAY, the 23rd Instant, or they will not be recognised.

All Damaged Packages will be examined on TUESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

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GYMKHANAS, 1897.

A MEETING of MEMBERS of the GYMKHANA will be held at the Office of The Hon. T. WHITEHEAD, at Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th Instant, when it is hoped that all Gentlemen interested will attend.

N. P. O'GORMAN, *Lt.-Colonel*,
Hon. Secretary.

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EOTHEN MARK LODGE—No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the EOTHEN MARK LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on FRIDAY, the 26th Instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially INVITED to attend.

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TO LET.

FROM 1ST MAY OR 1ST JUNE.

TWO Excellent HOUSES in STEWART TERRACE, the PEAK, Containing FIVE ROOMS each, with VERANDAHS front and back, handsomely Glazed in and in good repair.

Will be LET Singly, or the Two as one House.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR ILOILO.



The Co.'s Steamship *Taiwan*, Captain PEARCE, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 17th Instant, at Noon.

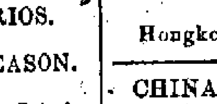
For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Agents.

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DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.



The Co.'s Steamship *Hailoong*, Captain DAVIS, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 19th Instant, at Daylight.

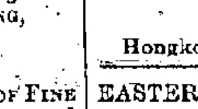
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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).



The Co.'s Steamship *Sungkiang*, Captain DODD, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 19th Instant, at 4 p.m.

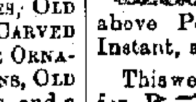
For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Agents.

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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, (*Calling at* TIMOR, PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS *and taking through Cargo to* ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)



The Steamer *Menmuir*, Captain McARTHUR, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 25th Instant, at Daylight.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures a plentiful supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

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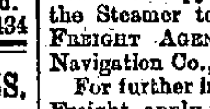
THE OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1897. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Chittagong......	Saturday....	27th March.

TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.



The Steamship *Chittagong* will be despatched hence for VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on SATURDAY, the 27th Instant.

Consular Invoice of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE, and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER *BRINDISI*.

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed *at their risk* in the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S GODOWNS at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This Vessel brings on Cargo:—

From PERSIAN GULF, ex s.s. B. I. S. S. Co., and Bombay Persian S. N. Co.'s Strs.

Goods not cleared by the 22nd Instant, at 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

All Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the vessel's arrival here after which no Claims will be recognised.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

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CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

A HURRICANE ATTRACTION COMING!

19—STAR ARTISTS—19.

RETURN AFTER AN ABSENCE OF SEVEN YEARS.

GRAND OPENING PERFORMANCE,

SATURDAY EVENING,

March 20th, 1897,

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I Have very great pleasure in introducing a new Supreme Company of Eighteen selected Artists, who have established a record as Premiers of Refined Entertainers, and each and every patron can feel perfectly secure in patronising this superior organisation, as they will see something new and different.

Introducing the High Class Music of a Concert Party, the Picturesque Scenes and Dances of an Opera Company, and the Humour of a First-Class Comedy Company (and all within the bounds of strict propriety).

PRICES OF ADMISSION—$ 3, 2, & 1.

Reserved Seats booked at W. ROBINSON & Co.'s Music Warehouse.

Doors Open at 8.30.

Smiling Begins at 9.15 p.m.

Yours to Command,

THOS. P. HUDSON, *Proprietor.*
ARTHUR J. ROYD,
Advance Representative.

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THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Oanfa*, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN Co., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 23rd Instant, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 23rd Instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 15:—

Lyeemoon, German steamer, 1,238, G. Heuermann, Shanghai March 13, General.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

City of Peking, American str., 3,128, J. T. Smith, San Francisco Feb. 13, and Shanghai March 13, Mails, Flour and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.

Krim, Norwegian str., 1,117, J. Irgens, Hongay March 13, Coal.—SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

March 16:—

Foochow, British str., from Canton.

Yamashiro Maru, Japanese str., 1,567, J. Jones, Melbourne Feb. 19, and Thursday Island March 5, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Salazie, French steamer, 2,088, Paul, Marseilles Feb. 14, and Saigon March 12, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Choysang, British steamer, 1,194, G. H. Bowker, Shanghai March 11, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Oanfa, British steamer, 1,970, J. Baster, London and Singapore March 9, General.—HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Oceanien, French steamer, 2,080, M. R. Schmitz, Shanghai March 14, Mails and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Brindisi, British steamer, 2,265, T. Wickenden, Bombay Feb. 26, and Singapore March 10, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.

DEPARTURES.

March 16:—

Hangchow, for Canton.
Dante, for Saigon.
Chow Fa, for Bangkok.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Meefoo, for Shanghai.
Suisang, for Singapore and Calcutta.
Lyeemoon, for Canton.
Choysang, for Canton.
Salazie, for Shanghai.

CLEARED.

Krim, for Amoy.
Guadalquiver, for Shanghai.
Zafiro, for Amoy.
Strathleven, for Singapore and New York.
Nord, for Tiwanfoo.
Foochow, for Hoihow.
Oanfa, for Shanghai.
Hailan, for Hoihow.
Glenavon, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Lyeemoon*, from Shanghai, Mr and Mrs Hartwell, Mr A. Kraemer, and 51 Chinese.

Per *City of Peking*, from San Francisco, &c., Miss E. L. Lambe, Mr Geo. B. Ransom, U.S.N., Mrs Ransom and son, Mrs W. A. Thornton, Messrs M. Baird, T. A. Lloyd, Riggs, and C. de W. Brownell, and 97 Chinese.

Per *Yamashiro Maru*, from Australia: for Hongkong, Mr and Mrs Greenwood, Mr and Mrs Krogmann, Rev. J. W. Kidston, Messrs A. C. Carter, J. E. Tustin, W. E. Spaethe and R. Shoset, and 18 Chinese; for Japan, Mr and Mrs Keogh, Miss Keogh, Messrs K. Fukin, R. H. Price, J. E. Pickles, N. Kobaiyashi, H. J. Dight, A. C. Dight, J. R. Ford, and K. Ito, and 11 Japanese.

Per *Salazie*, from Marseilles: for Hongkong, Messrs Doyere, Berthet, David, Richarme, Le Gall, Escarrat, Anauel, Morgan, Davies, Mende, Royd, Gitter, Midard, Mr and Mrs Bollot and children, Mr and Mrs Renton, Baron Bradsky, Captain S Chyorzing, Dr Donovan, Misses Barrow and Zoolin, Mrs Osetsu, and 200 Chinese; for Shanghai, Messrs David Gubbay, R. W. Mansfield, Oliphant, Ricard, Destelan, Raphael Favias, Bartolini, Gumpell, Simanoff, Rosher, Mgr. Benjamin, Mr and Mrs Lan, Mrs Zedelins and child, 7 Missionaries and 2 Chinese; for Japan, Messrs Tida, Bradley, Sato, Tuwa, Filden, Irrata, Giacomo Kienlé, Takekiki, Yamaguchi, Legrand, Gille, Johnson, Kondo, Rouxel, Andiganne, Mille, Chauvet, Sers, Mr and Mrs Lefeire, 2 children and maid, Mr and Mrs Faga, Mr and Mrs Steimann and child, Major Byxbee, and 2 Steerage.

Per *Choysang*, from Shanghai, Mr C. Maxwell, and 154 Chinese.

Per *Oceanien*, from Shanghai, Messrs Moninot, Schultz, Fullerton, da Silva, Judas, Malcolm Lyon, Herr, Dumestre, Mahe, Geo. Gregg, Kokura, Miss Yamane, and 214 Chinese.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Noon.—*Guadalquiver* leaves for S'hai.
Noon.—French Mail Steamer leaves for Ports of Call and Europe.
Noon.—*Empress of Japan* leaves for Vancouver (B.C.), via Yokohama, &c.
Noon.—*Taiwan* leaves for Iloilo.
4 p.m.—*Hiroshima Maru* leaves for Bombay, &c.

Meeting.

Noon.—Meeting of Members of the Gymkhana, at Hon. T. Whitehead's Office.

Miscellaneous.

Transfer Books of The Green Island Cement Company, Limited, closed from this date to 22nd March, both days inclusive.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SWATOW, CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG.—
Per *Foochow*, at 8.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 17th March.

For CHEFOO & NEWCHWANG.—
Per *Sullberg*, at 8.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 17th March.

For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—
Per *Oanfa*, at 10.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 17th March.

For SHANGHAI.—
Per *Guadalquiver*, at 10.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 17th March.

For ILOILO.—
Per *Taiwan*, at 1.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 17th March.

For SINGAPORE, COLOMBO & BOMBAY.—
Per *Hiroshima Maru*, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 17th March.

For SAIGON.—
Per *Amara*, at 3.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 17th March.

MAILS BY THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S PACKET.—

The Canadian Pacific Mail Packet *Empress of Japan* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 17th March, with Mails for Shanghai, Japan, United States, Canada, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

10.00 A.M. Registry ceases.
10.45 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet, *with the Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage*, until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.—

The French Contract Packet *Oceanien* will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, the 17th March, with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, *via Marseilles*; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, Madras, the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

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No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or greasy, or that appear to have been used for any other purpose than that of containing Aerated Waters, as such Bottles are never used again by us.

A. S. WATSON & Co., LIMITED,
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

Hongkong, July 4, 1896. 1387

BIRTH.

At 4, Makaloe Terrace (15, Kiangse Road), Shanghai, on the 9th March, the Wife of WILLIAM BRIGHT, Chinese Imperial Maritime Customs Service, of a Son.

MARRIAGES.

On 1st March, at St. George's Church, Penang, by the Rev. L. C. Biggs, M.A., Colonial Chaplain, CHARLES HERBERT JOHNSON, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, to FLORENCE EMMA MARY GILLING, of Brighton, England.

At Shanghai, on the 11th March, at the Imperial German Consulate-General, by Dr O. Stuebel, Consul-General, and afterwards by Pastor H. Hackmann, Theo. Lic., at the Union Church, ALMA, second daughter of J. J. BUCHHEISTER, of Shanghai, to ED. WARNEKEN, of Shanghai.

DEATHS.

At Roath, Cardiff, South Wales, on the 1st February, NELLY MERCIA, the beloved daughter of Captain and Edith ROOPE.

At Malacca, on the 26th February, at St. John's Lodge, LOUIS EDWARD NEUBRONNER, second son of the late Louis Neubronner, Esq., of St. John's Lodge, Malacca, Aged 45.

The publication of this issue commenced at 7.00 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 1897.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.
(SUPPLIED THROUGH REUTER.)

OUTWARD BOUND:—*Cyrus, Dordogne*, Feb. 2nd; *Kanagawa*, 5th; *Benlarig, St. Giles, St. Jerome*, 16th; *Hertha, Japan, Asloun, Ceres*, 19th; *Ellen Rickmers, Tosa Maru*, 23rd; *Pathan, Anping, Sophie Rickmers, Tansue*, 26; *Gisela, Glenshiel, Benedick, Orestes, Merionethshire, Teucer, Yangtse*, March 2; *Aden, Sarpedon, Taishun*, 5th; *Mogul, Elizabeth Rickmers, Takao, Tancarville*, 12th; *Kaisow*, 16th.

HOMEWARD BOUND:—*Sydney*, Feb. 26th; *Frigga, Marquis Bacquehem*, March 2nd; *Turbo, Formosa, Morven*, 9th; *Natal*, 12th.

Mails.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s. s. *Empress of China*, from Vancouver, arrived at Yokohama at 9.30 a.m. on the 15th March, and left again at 1 p.m. for Kobe, where she is expected to arrive at 4 p.m on Tuesday, the 16th March.

The P. M. s. s. *China*, with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokokama, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 4th March.

The O. & O. s. s. *Doric*, with the AMERICAN MAIL, of 23rd Feb., left Yokohama on Sunday, the 14th March, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 22nd March.

Steamers Expected.

The Austrian Lloyd's s. s. *Maria Valerie* left Kobe for this port on the afternoon of the 13th March.

The D. D. R. steamer *Erato*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on the 12th March, and may be expected here on or about the 18th March.

The Norw. s. s. *Aladdin*, from New York, left Singapore for Hongkong on the morning of the 13th March, and may be expected here on or about the 20th March.

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. *Japan*, left Singapore for this port on the 14th March, at 8 a.m.

The R. L. Co.'s str. *Ellen Rickmers*, from Middlesbro', Antwerp, and Hamburg, passed the Canal on the 22nd Feb., and may be considered due at this port on or about the 22nd March.

The C. M. Co.'s str. *Kintuck*, from Glasgow and Liverpool passed the Canal on the 1st March, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 22nd March.

The N. G. I. s. s. *Bisagno* left Bombay for this port on the 9th March, and may be expected here on or about the 29th March.

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. *Olympia* sailed from Tacoma on the 26th Feb. via Japan.

The s. s. *Elisabeth Rickmers* from Meddlesbro', Antwerp, Hamburg, passed the Canal on the 13th March, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 2nd April.

Latest Advices.

The O. R. & N. Pacific s. s. *Mount Lebanon* left Portland, O., on the 7th March.

The C. M. Co.'s str. *Kaisow*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, passed the Canal on the 15th March, and may be considered due at Singapore on or about the 13th April.

THE delivery of the French and American Mails was begun at 11.10 a.m.

THE Orient liner *Orotava*, which sank at Tilbury some months ago, ran ashore on the Scilla Shoal in the Red Sea on the 20th February. She subsequently refloated and arrived at Colombo.

Two German sailors were taken into custody at Manila on the 8th instant. The authorities considered the movements of the men suspicious, and on arrest it was found they were not registered. An individual, who had in his possession a 'Bull Dog' revolver, stated to have been given to him on board the steamer *Sungkiang*, was arrested at Manila on the 10th instant. From this action of the Spanish authorities it is evident that the Foreign residents in Manila are being closely watched.

SHORTLY after 2 p.m. on the 6th inst. fire broke out in Diaz Street in Trozo (Manila), and, fanned by a S.W. breeze, the fire rapidly communicated to the adjoining streets. At one time the railway station at Tutuban was in danger, but fortunately the breeze moderated. Several waggons of merchandize caught fire, but comparatively slight damage was done. The military authorities were on the alert, as soon as the alarm of fire was given, to suppress any attempt to renew the rioting of the 25th Feb. Over 400 houses, mostly of flimsy construction, were burned down.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS:—At *Kowloon*—Kachidate Maru, H.M.S. Centurion, Loyal, Hanoi, Doris.

Cosmopolitan—Belgic.

Aberdeen.—(None).

NEW PIANO and Organ Repairing Material and Machinery just to hand; also the latest Music. W. ROBINSON & Co.

THE branch office of the Banco Espanol Filipina at Iloilo was to have been inaugurated on the 15th inst.

CAPTAIN Merriman, of the American sailing ship *Henry Failing*, was fined $15 to-day, at the Magistracy, for discharging crackers from his ship. The defendant said his children had fired the crackers for their amusement. A fine of $15 was imposed.

A CALCUTTA telegram dated Feb. 26 states:—Four European Doctors, who had personal experience of the plague in Hongkong, arrived in Bombay on Sunday night last. Two of them, Dr Lowson and Dr Reade, have been appointed to do duty in Bombay. Of the two others, Drs Borrodaile and Beveridge, one will go to Poona, and another to Karachi.

ARTHUR J. Royd, the advance representative of the popular Hudson Surprise Party, arrived to-day per French Mail Steamer *Salazie* to make the necessary arrangements for the forthcoming season. The Company is reported to be the strongest that has ever visited the East, and brings along the latest and newest novelties. Mr and Mrs Hudson and Company arrive by P. and O. steamer *Japan*, and open on Saturday, 20th inst. Seats booked at Robinson and Company's Music Warehouse.

ALTHOUGH practically living over a volcano which may burst into activity at any moment, the Foreign residents at Manila intend to have their regular rounds of pleasure and amusement. An Italian Opera Company has just arrived at Manila from Italy; it will make a short stay in the Philippines. There was a time when an Opera Company could be induced to come over to Hongkong from Manila. Could not something be done in this direction now?

H. E. LOH FENG-LO, Minister designate to Great Britain, Italy and Belgium, arrived to-day by the French mail steamer *Oceanien* from Shanghai. The mail steamer was flying the dragon flag at the main. The Minister is accompanied by his wife, four sons and two daughters and a large staff. This evening H.E. is to be entertained to dinner in Thomas's Grillrooms by the Chinese merchants. One hundred persons are to be present at the function. A special menu has been prepared in European style. To-morrow morning His Excellency will pay an official visit to H. E. the Governor at Government House. His stay in the Colony will necessarily be short as he travels to Marseilles in the *Oceanien*, which leaves to-morrow at noon. His Excellency and suite are staying at the Windsor Hotel.

AT the Magistracy to-day, before Commander Hastings, Captain Curnow, of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamer *Idzumi Maru*, was charged with an infringement of the quarantine regulations in that on the 20th Jan. he refused to go into the quarantine anchorage when ordered to do so by the Health Officer. The *Idzumi Maru* arrived in the harbour on the 18th Jan. about eight o'clock. The captain left the ship in the forenoon of the 19th, and on his return in the evening he was told that there was a case of smallpox amongst the crew. The man was taken out of the forecastle and placed in the cabin aft. Next day the captain went ashore and sent a clerk from the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's office to inform the Health Officer of the case. Dr Fowler, assistant to Dr Jordan, said he went on board the steamer and saw the captain. He told him to go into the quarantine anchorage. The captain said he would not go as he was going to leave as soon as the smallpox case was discharged. The ship left the same afternoon for Singapore. The Health Officer ordered him twice into quarantine. Mr Looker, who appeared for the defence, said the captain thought it was unnecessary to go into quarantine, and as there was some doubt in his mind as to whether he was bound by law to go he refused to go into quarantine. The steamer was subject to penalties as a mail steamer if it did not keep the scheduled time. He submitted that a small fine would meet the requirements of law. The Magistrate said this was a gross violation of the regulations. He imposed a fine of $400, with an alternative of three months' imprisonment.

WE learn from Australian newspapers to hand that a portion of the British naval reserves is being mobilised. Telegrams dated London, Feb. 22 and Feb. 23, give the following additional details of the bombardment at Crete:—The camp of the insurgents near Canea has been bombarded by the combined fleets. The bombardment lasted for 25 minutes, and 70 shells were fired. None of the Greek regular troops were engaged, and no blood was shed. The German warship *Kaiserin Augusta* fired melinite. Nine additional warships, consisting of French and of Russian vessels, have reinforced the combined fleets at Canea. The Christians at Cadano, in Crete, ignoring the white flag which had been hoisted by the foreign Consuls, fired upon the British, Russian, and Italian Consulates. The combined fleets of the Powers in Cretan waters fired 30 shells into the insurgents' camp at Phrudia. Some havoc was caused amongst the Christians. A Greek warship was struck by a shot from an 18-pounder during the bombardment near Canea. The pro-Turkish Christians in Crete have massacred the prisoners captured by them in the recent fighting.

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WE understand that at a private meeting of shareholders in the Punjom Gold Mining Company an unanimous expression of opinion was given in favour of the Board increasing the capital of the Company.

AT a meeting of the Committee of the Singapore Chamber of Commerce on the 4th inst. a letter from the Hongkong Chamber was read, the Committee in reply expressing agreement with the views put forward as to the impolicy and, in the case of a Free Port, injustice of taxing Shipping for the benefit of General Revenue.

THE library boy at the Central Police Station was brought up on remand, at the Magistracy to-day, on a charge of stealing forty cents from a lukong's box. He was suspected of several other larcenies which had taken place recently in the Police quarters. The charge was established, and he was sent to prison for six weeks' hard labour.

WEDNESDAY next being St. Patrick's Night the band of the West Yorkshire Regiment will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess, Murray Barracks:—

1.—Overture	.....	'Di Ballo'	..............Sullivan.
2.—Jig	.....	'St. Patrick's Day'	..Julius Benedict.
3.—Pantasia	.....	'Erin'	..............Basquit.
4.—Valse	.....	'Kate Kearney'	......Coote.
5.—Duet	.....	'Excelsior'	..........Balfe.
6.—Reminiscences of Bellini			..........F. Godfrey.

Wm. Geo. Bentley, A.R.C.M., Bandmaster.

F. O. Siddons, a timber clerk in the employ of Ong Sang Leong, a Singapore Chinaman, was convicted of the murder of a coolie at Bangkong, on the Rompin river, in October last. He was tried at Pekan before the Judicial Commissioner, who passed sentence of death. A Chinaman who assisted in the murder was also sentenced to death. Siddons is a Singapore Eurasian, the son of Mr Siddons, formerly in the employ of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Co. At one time, the prisoner was in the Pahang Government service, and was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment about two years ago for embezzlement.

THE Kobe Municipal Council seems to be in an unenviable plight for want of funds, and proposes to sell the Municipal Hall in order to pay off the Council's indebtedness. This sounds a trifle like selling the roof over one's head to buy a carpet with the proceeds.

THE report of the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company for the past year has been issued by the general agents, Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co. After payment of the interim dividend of Tls. 3 per share, the Profit and Loss Account shows a credit balance of Tls. 88,568. It is proposed to distribute Tls. 67,950 in a final dividend of Tls. 4½ per share, and carry forward the balance. The 399 shares which the Directors were authorised in 1895 to issue, were sold at a premium of Tls. 6,104.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

IT is reported that the temporary office of the Imperial Bank of China will be at the China Merchants' offices on Foochow Road, and will be opened to-day (March 11). It appears that as an encouragement to this new undertaking the Emperor has commanded the Board of Revenue to place the sum of Tls. 2,000,000 at fixed deposit in the new Bank, of which one million taels have already been transferred to the Founders of the Bank, although as already noted above, it does not come into actual existence until to-day.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

THE Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have awarded to Gen. Geoffrey Mairis, R.M.L.I., the good service pension of £200 a year in the vacancy created by the death of Gen. Sir George C. Langley, K.C.B. Gen. Mairis served with the 2nd Batt. of Royal Marines during the China war of 1857-59, and was present at the capture of Canton, the action of Sinho, and bombardment of Tong-ku. He was one of the storming party at the capture of the Taku Forts and was severely wounded.

THE following telegrams (says the *Singapore Free Press* of the 5th inst.) have been received from Mr Bibby, Mine Manager at Raub:—

'Crushing finished. The result of the two months ended February 28th was 2,280 tons of stone crushed, realising 1,834 ounces smelted gold. The greater part of Raub Township has been destroyed by fire. The Company has sustained no loss.'

The results at Raub are even more satisfactory than those at the recent crushings, for the outurn is just touching 16½ dwts per ton. The return for the two months' work equals over £7,100 at £3.7.6 per ounce; otherwise about $67,250. This would mean an annual return, making no allowance for increase of crushing plant, of over $400,000.

A PLEASING testimonial to the resources of the English language was given at Manchester, says the *St. James's Gazette*. An inquiry was being held as to a house reputed to be used for gambling. It was frequented by poor Jews, and they were stated in a general way to have spoken their own Yiddish—except when they wished to swear. Then they used English. Our oaths appear to be simpler and stronger than those of any other tongue. The Spaniards, though it must be admitted they are coarser, are too elaborate. They swear, not in words, but in sentences. The same may be said of Italian execration. French are a failure. They beat us in slang, but in simple objurgation they are nowhere. German imprecations mean a good deal, but that is just where they fail. The essence of a good round oath is mystery. And that is why American swearing, though sonorous, misses its mark. There is too much thought in it.

REFERRING to the verdict in the Carew case, a correspondent of a Home paper who has made inquiries as to the alleged appeal to the Privy Council, finds, correctly, that no such appeal can be heard unless it can be shown that in the trial there was some disregard of the forms of legal process or some violation of natural justice by which grave and substantial wrong has been done. This was laid down by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council many years ago, and was acted on in the case of Deeming, the Australian murderer in 1892. Mrs Carew will, in the first instance at any rate, be sent to Hongkong gaol, the question of a transfer to a convict establishment in this country being deferred for the present. Should she remain in Hongkong she will probably be released after a few years, on account of the ill effects of the climate and confinement on her health. Should she be sent home, her incarceration will be longer, but in either event the Foreign Office, and not the Home Office, will be responsible for her.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL.']

LONDON, March 14.

THE GERMAN NAVY.

The Budget Committee of the Reichstag has refused to vote twelve millions for new war-ships.

THE POWERS AND GREECE.

The Russian semi-official press insists on the coercion of Greece.

The Powers are determined to maintain peace in the East; meanwhile there is an increasing tension on the frontier of Macedonia, and the massing of troops continues.

It is semi-officially stated that Russia, Germany, and Austria, have instructed their Naval Commanders at Crete to take concerted measures for the blockade of the Cretan and Greek ports, and it is expected that Great Britain, Italy, and France will follow suit.

FOOTBALL.

England has beaten Scotland by twelve points to three (Rugby).

(El Comercio.)

SPANISH WAR FUND.

Madrid, 8th March.

The Spanish Government has been raising considerable funds in London to defray the war expenses in the Philippines. In the Council of Ministers, to be held to-morrow, other means will be resorted to.

RE-INFORCEMENTS FOR THE COLONIES.

Madrid, 9th March.

Twelve thousand men will be called out to fill up the places of those who may fall in the Colonial Army.

SILVER COIN FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

The Madrid Mint has received instructions to coin a large number of silver dollars to be sent to the Philippines periodically by all the mail steamers.

Madrid, 10th March.

The new coin to be sent to the Philippines will bear as a distinctive mark the word 'Filipinas.'

WEATHER NOTICE.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory:—

On the 16th at 11.15 a. The low pressure area, moving Eastward, now lies North of Wladivostock. Pressure has increased on the E. coast of China, but is little changed in the South. Forecast:—N. E. winds, freshening: fair to dull and misty.

THE Exchange Telegraph Company states that although no official announcement has been made with reference to the retirement of Sir Robert Meade, the Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, that agency learnt on excellent authority that it will take place at an early date, and that his successor will be Mr Murray, of the Treasury, who was during the last Liberal Administration private secretary to Lord Rosebery. It is understood that even if Sir Robert had not met with his recent unfortunate accident, which still confines him within doors, he would have given up his position before long.

IN the House of Commons on the 11th Feb., Sir J. Leng (Dundee) asked the Secretary, as representing the Postmaster-General, whether the contract for the conveyance of the mails to India, China, and Australia, had now been arranged; and, if so, what rates of speed had been fixed, and what saving in time would be effected to Bombay, Hongkong, and Melbourne.—Mr Hanbury (Preston)—The tenders which have been accepted contemplate a speed of 14½ knots on the line to and from India, 13½ knots on the line to and from China, and 14 knots on the line to and from Australia. The time-table has not yet been settled, but it is anticipated that under the new contract, as compared with the old, the following will be the approximate saving in the time of transit of the mails from London:—To Bombay, nearly two days; to Hongkong, four days; to Melbourne, four days.

IN pursuance of the scheme of restoration and reorganisation of the Imperial Navy, writes a native correspondent, it is reported that the provincial high authorities at Canton have received a secret edict commanding the province of Kuangtung to provide an annual contribution to the above object, in manner as follows:—The Customs of the city of Canton to furnish Tls. 300,000 a year; the native Customs of the whole province, and the I.M. Customs of Swatow, Kiungchow and Pakhoi, another Tls. 300,000 from the opium duty, and lastly the I.M. Customs at Lappa and Kowloon together Tls. 300,000 a year from the same source, or a total of Tls. 900,000 per annum. The other twenty odd provinces of the Empire will also be called upon to furnish annual amounts in proportion to their income, whereby an aggregate yearly sum of at least ten million taels can be regularly laid aside for buying and building ships for the Chinese navy.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

A NATIVE correspondent at Canton sends us the following:—It is intended to open Wuchou or Ngochow, in Kuangsi, to foreign trade on the 1st of June next, and as the Kuangtung prefectural city of Ch'ao-ch'ing (*colloq.* Siuhing) lies along the route of international traffic, the latter will also at no distant date be also formally declared in the same category as Wuchou, at least the people of Chaoch'ing seem to feel that way, and the wish appears to be father to the thought. There is a strong feeling now not only in Kuangtung, but also in Kuangsi, to throw the country open to foreign trade, so as to enrich the people of the cities and towns so privileged. This is a complete revulsion of the feelings of the people inhabiting the inland cities of the two provinces above named from what it was a short twelve months ago. On the other hand, foreigners and even their wives have kept flowing in an unbroken stream into Wuchou and have bought up much land there—especially missionaries, who already have two chapels in the city. As for goods, muslins seem to find great favour with Wuchowites, who have bought up all that have been transported hither by foreign firms or their agents. There should, therefore, be a great trade in this article of import in the future.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY IN HONGKONG.

MURDERED WOMAN FOUND IN A TRUNK.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Commander Hastings, a Chinaman named Chui Kai was charged with the murder of his wife yesterday in the Ki Sang Boarding House. The prisoner, who returned from California on the 19th February by the *City of Rio*, is in possession of a good pile of money. He had deposit receipts for $1200, and American gold dollars to the value of about $500 were found in his possession. He professes to be a Christian. Shortly after arrival in the Colony he married a woman out of a brothel, and went to live in this boarding house. On Sunday the prisoner refused to allow the servants at the boarding house to enter his room, and as the manager had not seen the woman all that day his suspicions were aroused. Yesterday afternoon he endeavoured to gain admission to the room, but he found the door locked. He then went to the Police Station and mentioned his suspicions to the Inspector on duty, with the result that the police inquiries were originated.

The first witness called,

Hau Hang, Chinese detective 137, said at ten minutes past five o'clock yesterday he received orders from Inspector Stanton to go along with Chinese constable 333 to 48 Praya Central, the Ki Shang Boarding House. They went up to the third floor. Chinese constable 268 was there when they arrived. P.C. 268 brought the defendant up to his room, and told him to open the door of his room. Defendant unlocked the door. The constables entered the room, stating they were searching for arms. Defendant unlocked a small box, and took out a revolver and cartridges. Witness asked defendant to open the big box in the room; he said he had not the key. He said his wife had carried the key with her to Yaumati. Defendant tried to open the box with his key, but it did not fit. The box was also secured with cords. Defendant said they could break it open. A man was sent for to open the box and the box was carried out into the passage by the witness and defendant. The man knocked off the hinges of the trunk. As soon as the hinges were knocked off Inspector Stanton and Detective Sergeant M'Iver arrived. Inspector Stanton opened the box and took out the tray. A bloodstained coverlet was stuffed into the tray. When the tray was lifted out the corpse of a woman was discovered. There was a cut in the throat. Witness arrested the defendant, and the body was placed in a dead box. The prisoner and the dead body were taken to the Central Police Station. The body was afterwards taken to the Government Civil Hospital. He was present at the Hospital to-day when Dr Penney examined the body. At the house Inspector Stanton cautioned the prisoner that any statement he then made would be used against him. Witness also cautioned him. Prisoner made a statement at the house and at the Central Station. He made a statement which was taken down in writing. Defendant signed the statement.

Mr K. W. Mounsey appeared on behalf of the prisoner.

Dr Penney said he made an examination of the body this morning and found an incision in the throat 4 inches long, extending 3 inches to the left of the middle line and one inch to the right. The skin and tissues superficial to the muscles, the left external jugular vein and superficial nerves were cut. There were bruises on the left wrist and hand and slight bruise on the left thumb; a small abrasion of the lower lip. The organs were normal. The cause of death was hemorrhage, result of cut throat. He was of opinion life had been extinct at least twenty-four hours. The wound could have been self-inflicted. The deceased was about forty years of age. The body was well nourished. The chopper produced could have caused the wound. The woman probably did not die at once. It was possible after a wound of the nature described that the woman could have called out and struggled. If medical aid had been called in at once after the wound had been inflicted the life of deceased could have been saved. The external jugular vein was cut.

An accountant at the boarding-house spoke to the movements of the prisoner since he entered the house.

A servant boy in the boarding-house who waited upon prisoner said he did not go into the room yesterday morning as usual because the door was a little open and he put the water inside. As soon as defendant took the water he shut the door again. He last saw the woman alive at six o'clock on the 14th inst., when he took the meal to them. During the time he had known the defendant and the woman he had never seen them quarrelling or the deceased crying. The woman seldom went out. He had been once at Yaumati. Yesterday he was sent there again by the manager of the boarding house, as he had not heard the woman speaking that day. The *defendant* had gone out twice, and on both occasions he locked the door. He was usually called in three or four times a day by the woman to sweep the floor. Witness took the defendant's morning meal into the room yesterday; the table was very near the door. The defendant told him to go out almost immediately and shut the door after him. Usually the door was not shut while defendant was at meals. There is a curtain on the door. After ablutions had been performed he usually carried the water out. He did not go in yesterday; the dirty water was handed back by the defendant. The rooms were divided from each other by wooden partitions. There were five rooms on that floor, one of them being occupied by fokis.

The prisoner, in his written statements, has practically admitted the murder of the woman. The deposit receipts found in his possession were taken out in the woman's name in the Bank.

The prisoner was committed for trial.

THE C.N. steamer *Peking*, from Shanghai for Ningpo, ran ashore on Gough Island on the 8th inst. Three tugs were sent down to her assistance and the cargo was being discharged on the 9th, but up to a late hour on that date the efforts to float her had not met with success.—The *Peking* was refloated on 9th inst. and proceeded to Ningpo. She sustained no serious damage.

THE *N.-C. Daily News* of the 12th inst. states:—Telegraphic advices from Tientsin state that the *Kulgan*, from Foochow with a cargo of poles, is badly ashore in the river. The only steamer at the Bund on Wednesday was the *Taksang* from Hongkong, and none of the Shanghai steamers had succeeded in getting up. The *Hsinyü* left Taku yesterday morning for Shanghai, and the *Shengking* was to leave at 8 o'clock last evening.

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LIMITED.

The following report will be presented to the shareholders at the Nineteenth Annual General Meeting, to be held at the offices of the General Agents, at noon, on Saturday, 27th inst.:—

The General Agents beg to submit to the Shareholders their Report on the Company's business for the year 1896, with a statement of Accounts to 31st December last. The course of business during the year was upon the whole satisfactory, and in consequence of the steady demand in most of the consuming Markets the Refineries were constantly employed. The nett gain on working was $241,553.53, which, after deducting the balance at debit of Profit and Loss Account, $104,332.45, leaves $137,221.08 to be dealt with, which the General Agents and Consulting Committee recommend should be appropriated as follows, viz.:—

Dividend of $5½ per Share,	$110,000.00
To apply to reduction of Property Account,	25,000.00
Carry forward to next Account,	2,221.08
	$137,221.08

Water Supply.—The arrangements referred to in the Report of the 13th of March last have proved satisfactory, and an adequate supply of water for the two Refineries has been assured.

Consulting Committee.—The Consulting Committee consists of the Hon. E. R. Belilios, Messrs F. A. Gomes, D. R. Sassoon, St. C. Michaelsen and C. S. Sharp, all of whom, with the exception of Mr D. R. Sassoon, who is leaving the Colony, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs Thomas Arnold and Fullerton Henderson, who offer themselves for re-election.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1897.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING CO., LIMITED.

The following Report will be presented to the shareholders at the Fifteenth Ordinary Annual Meeting, to be held at the offices of the General Agents, at 12.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th inst.:—

The General Agents beg to submit to the Shareholders their Report on the Company's business during the year 1896, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December last. At the beginning of the year the prospects appeared to be fairly satisfactory, as there was a good demand for Spain, and a general advance in the European Sugar Markets. Unfortunately the improvement was not maintained and demand for the Spanish Market fell off considerably during the Summer months. The position was further aggravated by the rebellion in the Philippines, which disorganized the business of the Company locally, and necessitated a stoppage of the works early in September. Inclusive of $9,727.18 brought forward from the year 1895, the balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account, is $12,766.38, which the General Agents and Consulting Committee recommend should be carried forward to next Account.

Consulting Committee.—The Consulting Committee consists of Messrs D. Gillies and J. H. Lewis, who offer themselves for re-election.

Auditor.—The Accounts have been audited by Mr Thomas Arnold, who offers himself for re-election.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 12th March, 1897.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts, in their weekly share report dated Hongkong, 16th March, write:—

Although a fair number of transactions have been negotiated during the past week, a general decline in the quotation of most stocks has to be recorded.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have dropped still further, and sales at 167 and 168 per cent. premium have been effected. The London quotation is £39.10/-. Nationals are quiet, and are obtainable at $24½.

Marine Insurances.—Yangtszes have improved their position, and are wanted at $168. Straits have suffered a sharp decline, and are offering at $22 owing to the unfavourable report for the past year. Unions have been sold at $235, and Cantons at $187½.

Fire Insurances.—Hongkong Fires have ruled very firm at $370, and several lots have been taken off the market at the rate. China Fires are slightly weaker, and shares are obtainable at $107.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have been sold at $34½ and close steady at the rate. Indo-Chinas have declined to $46 sales. China and Manilas been done at $77. Douglas Steamships have changed hands at $62½ and $62, and are still obtainable at the latter rate.

Refineries.—China Sugars have been negotiated to a considerable extent at declining rates down to $139, but close much firmer with buyers at $140. Luzons are easier and have been sold at $46, $45 and $44.

Mining.—Punjoms dropped to $4½, but are again firmer and have been done at $5, $5¼, and $5½, closing with sellers at $5½. A private meeting of shareholders was held to-day to discuss the advisability of raising more capital, and it was proposed to issue 20,000 shares of $4 each. A fairly large business has been done in New Balmorals at $2.40, $2.50, $2.60, and in the Preference shares at $2.75, $2.90, and $3, the market closing easier with sellers at $2.25 and $3.90 for the Ordinary and Preference shares respectively. Raubs have not maintained their rate, and are in the market at $14½. Olivers boomed to $12 and $6½ on the receipt of the following wire from the mine: 'Eureka Mine the reef shows a width of five feet, showing visible gold and grade of ore being very good.' The market is again, however, easier, with buyers at $11 for the A, and sellers at $5½ for the B.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks were quoted at 243 per cent. premium, but the market closes decidedly firmer with buyers at 244 per cent. premium. Kowloon Wharf shares have been done at $60 and are wanted. New Amoy Docks have changed hands at $17½.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have ruled firm with sales and buyers at $77. Hotels have been done at $35, and can be placed at the rate. Humphreys' Estate have been sold at $8.75, and West Points are obtainable at $20.

Miscellaneous.—A large business has again been done in Green Island Cements at $25½ and $25, and at equivalent rates on time. A. S. Watsons are offering at $12½. Ropes are firm at $156 ex the dividend of $10 per share paid to-day. Ices are wanted at $109, but none are obtainable except at an advance. Campbell Moores are enquired for at $8.

MISS Henry Peck (whose mother has been visiting them for over four months)—I don't know what to buy mother for a Christmas present, do you? Henry Peck—Yes! Buy her a traveling bag!

SHOOTING.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS—RESULTS OF COMPETITIONS.

The following are the official returns of the 7-pr. and machine gun competitions held by the Hongkong Volunteer Corps at Wongneicheong Gap on Saturday last:—

FIELD BATTERY.

No. of Section	Sectional Commander.	No. 1	Shooting.	Time, Fire, Discipline & Drill.	Total.
3	Lieut. Macdonald	Sgt. Lowrie, ,, McPhail	200	85	285
2	,, Wylie	,, Lammert, ,, Bremner	175	85	260
1	,, Machell	,, Hayward, ,, Armstrong	50	90	140

Lieutenant Macdonald's section therefore won the prizes presented by Major Sir John Carrington and Captain J. J. Francis.

'A' MACHINE GUN CO.

No. of Detachment.	Detachment Commander.	Shooting.	Fire, Discipline, Efficiency, Time.	Total.
1	Sgt.-Maj. Badeley	63	45	103
4	Corporal Crombie	16	49	64
3	,, Smith	15	37	52
2	,, Lammert	0	39	39

SUICIDE OF PHILO McGIFFIN.

END OF AN EVENTFUL CAREER.

A New York telegram, dated February 11, states:—Captain N. Philo N. McGiffin, who commanded the Chinese ironclad *Chen Yuen* in the battle off the Yalu river in September, 1894, during the Chino-Japanese war, committed suicide early this morning in the Post-Graduate Hospital, to which he was recently admitted for treatment. He shot himself over the right ear.

The nurse found him sitting up in bed with his back propped up by pillows. Blood was streaming from an ugly wound in the right side of the head. On a little table directly at the head of the bed was one revolver and on the floor near the bed another. One chamber had been discharged from the pistol on the table.

When Captain McGiffin was admitted to the hospital a pistol was taken from him. He had with him a tin box which contained his private papers. He was accustomed to ask for this box, and looked over his papers at periods. The last time he asked for it one of his nurses, Joseph Bennett, was with him when he looked over his private papers.

At 3.30 o'clock this morning the nurse says McGiffin apparently fell into a doze. It is believed now that he was feigning sleep. The nurse left the room for about five minutes, then the pistol shot was heard.

A note which McGiffin left was written on two sides of a piece of paper torn from a notebook, and reads as follows:—

'Mem.—Look alive that the bed is not set afire by my shot. My compliments and adieux to all. I regret that my destination must remain to you unknown, but you may guess. With apologies to Miss Phelps for the row—it is the way that all guns have, au revoir.'

On the opposite side of the paper was written:

'Please give my good-bye to Mr Gorham (a nurse). My compliments to Mr Bennett. Incidentally I may note that though I effect my exit it is not the hegira anticipated by the learned staff. N. M.'

The Captain was taken to the hospital last month by friends. About the middle of January he became insane, and it was found necessary to have him confined. He was taken to a room on the second floor of the building, with a window opening on Second Avenue.

He had mental trouble for months before it developed into insanity, and on his being removed to the hospital he was so violent it was found necessary to place him in a strait-jacket. Dr Hammond attributed his condition to wounds received in the battle off the Yalu river.

Captain McGiffin, though only thirty-five years of age, has had an eventful career. Shortly before he joined the Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1877, he had an adventure with the rioters at Pittsburg. As one of the soldiers penned up in the roundhouse he volunteered to run an engine through the rioters. He succeeded in this attempt and at once relief was secured for his fellow-prisoners. For this he was rewarded with a medal and a vote of thanks from the City Council of Pittsburg. When at the Naval Academy he rescued two children from a burning building, and in 1879, on a practice cruise of the *Constellation*, when the bluejackets were ordered aloft to secure a boom which threatened to do damage to the ship, and they refused to go, McGiffin rushed aloft, and his example being followed by other cadets they lashed the boom safe. In 1884, owing to the reduction of the number of midshipmen in the U.S. Navy, McGiffin received an honourable discharge. The war between France and China had broken out, and he offered his services to China. McGiffin was put in command of a gunboat, and in the battles of the Yangtse captured the only French gunboat lost in the war. Subsequently he held a number of important positions in China, becoming successively professor of seamanship and gunnery in the Royal Chinese Naval College, superintendent of education of Chinese naval officers and superintendent of the forts at Wai-Hai-Wei and superintendent of the royal navy. He also made a survey of the coast of Northern China and Corea, and for his services was decorated by the Emperor with the Double Dragon and the Peacock Feather. In 1888 he was sent to England, where he superintended the construction of several ironclad vessels destined for Chinese service. When the recent war between China and Japan broke out McGiffin was placed in command of the *Chen-Yuen*, a vessel which had the distinction of firing the first shot in the great fight off the Yalu river. Captain McGiffin was wounded during that engagement and soon after resigned from the Chinese navy. Captain McGiffin never recovered from the effects of his experience in the memorable battle of the Yalu.

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THE Hunan land telegraph line was commenced on the 23rd Feb. from Ch'angsha to Wuchang, and the work done, so far, has been at the rate of four or five *li* or a mile and a half a day.—*N.-C. Daily News.*

THE Queen has approved the following appointment in Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service:—Mr Bryan Clarke-Thornhill, now Second Secretary at Paris, to be Secretary to Her Majesty's Legation at Peking.

THERE is, the *World* declares, no truth in the rumour that Lord Salisbury is to be given a dukedom in June next. The Queen offered Lord Salisbury a dukedom in 1887, and again in 1892, but he refused it on both occasions.

THE Admiralty have decided to build two new sloops for the Royal Navy on similar lines to the *Algerine* and *Phœnix*, which are to be commissioned for service on the China station. The sloops will be built at Sheerness Dockyard, and will be laid down early in the new financial year.

LATE TELEGRAMS

(Times of Ceylon.)

NOVEL PRIZE AT A FANCY FAIR.

Calcutta, Feb. 26.—Lady Mackenzie's fancy fair in aid of the Famine Fund opens to-day, and promises to be the biggest function ever seen in Calcutta. Much amusement is being caused by the announcement that one of the prizes in the lucky bag will be an eligible bachelor.

RINDERPEST IN CALCUTTA.

March 1.—Rinderpest has broken out in Calcutta, and energetic measures are being taken against its spread.

THE NIGER CAMPAIGN.

A column of the Niger Company's forces captured Florin on the 16th February after two days' fighting. No Europeans were killed.

THE FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

Calcutta, February 26.—The Famine Fund now amounts to nearly half a crore of rupees. Arrangements are being made to issue fortnightly reports from the famine districts, and of how the charitable relief is being carried out.

London, February 28.—By order of the Czar a special night was given at the Opera House at St. Petersburg to-night in aid of the Indian Famine.

March 1.—The Indian Famine Relief Fund has reached £369,000.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

Calcutta, February 26.—There was another large increase in the Plague mortality at Bombay yesterday, when there were 134 deaths. The weekly statistics, however, show 67 less than in the preceding week.

Karachi still continues to have about 20 to 30 deaths daily. Several fires have occurred in the segregation camp, but without loss of life.

Plague having been reported at Sukkur, it has been decided that the tonga service shall not be allowed on the Duneira-Dalhousie road.

THE C. D. ACTS IN INDIA.

Feb. 16.—The agitation to re-impose in some form the Contagious Diseases Act is gaining strength in the Lords, and an influential Committee is being formed to press the matter. Lord Roberts, in an interview to-day with Reuter's representative, said that he was very glad to have occasion to express his views on the subject. His Lordship said it was a great pity that India was interfered with by the House of Commons in this matter, as it was absolutely necessary to preserve the health of the European soldiers in India. The Government of India, he said, should, should have power to deal with venereal disease and treat it as any other loathsome disease of man or woman. He believed that those suffering should be examined, and, if diseased, required to go to hospital or quit the cantonment, and he sincerely hoped the question would be pressed on the Government, and the present system stopped. Sir Henry Cunningham, who was also interviewed by Reuter, said the statistics for the last three years justify the forebodings that the repeal of the cantonment rule would produce deplorable results, and he trusted that with a strong public feeling we should be able to restore the policy of supervision and control.

FORTUNES IN CONSULAR SERVICE.

MR MONEY'S "LITTLE PILE."

It certainly cannot be considered a matter for surprise that the officials of H. B. M. Consulate are not over desirous of publishing to the world figures in connection with the administration of the estate of the late Consular Court bailiff, Mr Louis Money. *De mortuis nil nisi bonum*; and we have no intention of finding fault with a man who is not here to defend himself. Money was one of a class of men whose ideas of business morality are naturally more or less confined to the principle 'make money.' To find fault with him for obeying a natural instinct, would be to quarrel with the leopard for not changing his spots. When, therefore, we are told that Mr Louis Money, who eight years ago was engaged, a penniless man, by the Consulate, at a salary of Ticals 30 per mensem—a salary which gradually increased till at the time of his death it was Ticals 90 per mensem—'cut up' to the tune of Ticals 65,000 in hard cash, Tcs. 10,000 in outstanding debts, and real property in Bangkok over and above all this, the value of which it is difficult to estimate, we do not blame the man. No condemnation, however, can be too severe for the system under which it has been possible for a subordinate official to use his position to such advantage.

It seems passing strange that an inkling of what was going on should never have come before Messrs French and Beckett during their respective terms of office here. And it seems almost incredible that this money was accumulated by strictly honest means, or that it ever could have been accumulated had the European officials of the Consulate kept a sharp eye on their 30 Ticals a month model Interpreter.

It was doubtless in a similar manner that the Nabobs of the East India Company made their handsome fortunes, and the port wine morality of their day scarcely blamed them. Things have changed since then, however, and amongst British officials at any rate, decent salaries and strict integrity have superseded the noble art of 'squeezing.' This is as it should be, and we sincerely hope that the late bailiff was the last of his race. Litigants and applicants for Consular assistance have already quite sufficient to do in meeting the legitimate fees demanded of them without being subjected to the squeezing process by Consular janitors. It is useless denouncing that which has been, unless it be to prevent a repetition of the matters complained of. That, and that alone, is our present object. We have seen within the last few months an enormous change for the better in the methods of the higher British Consular officials here; we devoutly hope that a new era has commenced, and that in future the most subordinate employee of H. B. M. Consulate will be above suspicion.—*Siam Free Press.*

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THE *Times of Ceylon* of the 1st inst. says:—It is expected that Mr Cooper will arrive here from Hongkong to commence duties as Head of the P. W. D. at the end of April or early in May. In the meantime it is probable that Mr Ormsby will be offered the post of Head of the Department either in Hongkong or at the Straits. The former of these becomes vacant by the promotion of Mr Cooper to Ceylon, and the latter by the appointment that has fallen to Major McCallum's lot. They are of about the same value.

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)

HONGKONG, March 16, 1897.

BAROMETER—	9 A.M.	30.08
Do.	1 P.M.	30.06
Do.	4 P.M.	29.95
THERMOMETER—	9 A.M.	65
Do.	1 P.M.	69
Do.	4 P.M.	68
Do. (Wet bulb)	9 A.M.	63
Do. Do.	1 P.M.	64
Do. Do.	4 P.M.	[illegible]
Do. Maximum		68
Do. Minimum overnight		63

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

DEATH OF STEINITZ, THE EX-CHESS CHAMPION.

London, Feb. 22.—Herr W. Steinitz, ex-chess champion of the world, who became seriously ill after his recent defeat by Herr Lasker, the world's chess champion, at Moscow, has succumbed to his malady.

DEATH OF BLONDIN.

Feb. 23.—The death is announced of Blondin, the famous performer on the high-rope, who visited Australia many years ago.

THREATENED STRIKE OF ENGLISH ENGINEERS.

Feb. 22.—The Newcastle and District Amalgamated Engineers have retaliated for the recent lockout of blacksmiths by calling a strike of their members.

Feb. 23.—The labourers employed in the shipbuilding yards on the North-east coast of England have taken a ballot on the question of the strike of engineers proposed by the Newcastle District Amalgamated Engineers in retaliation for the lockout of blacksmiths. The result of the ballot was against the strike, and in favour of conferring with the employers.

ACCIDENT TO LORD BRASSEY.

Melbourne, Feb. 22.—While riding with a Government House party in Albert Park this evening Lord Brassey was the victim of a painful accident. The horse he was riding stumbled over a rut and Lord Brassey was thrown heavily to the ground, breaking his collarbone and being cut about the head and face. He was removed to Government House, where he lies in a feverish condition.

The doctors in attendance on Lord Brassey report that the patient is very feverish, his temperature being up to 101 degrees. So far as they have been able to ascertain the collarbone is the only bone broken.

RISING IN BECHUANALAND.

London, Feb. 19.—Advices from Capetown state that the Bechuanas have repulsed a detachment of the Cape Rifles at Landberg in British Bechuanaland. Lieutenant Hopkins and one trooper were killed.

THE QUEEN'S RECORD REIGN.

Feb. 22.—In connection with the celebrations to mark the completion of the sixtieth year of the Queen's reign it has been arranged that a service of thanksgiving shall be held on the 22nd June in the open air on the western steps of St. Paul's Cathedral, so as to avoid the necessity for her Majesty leaving her carriage. The Archbishop of Canterbury (Dr Temple) will deliver an address on the occasion.

THE NIGER EXPEDITION.

Feb. 23.—Reports from West Africa state that the force under the command of Sir G. Taubman-Goldie, Governor of the Royal Niger Company, operating against the rebel natives in the Niger Coast Protectorate, captured the town of Benin on the 18th instant after a running fight through the bush country for a distance of 24 miles. Four whites were killed, including Dr Fyfe, was who attached to the expedition as medical officer. Sixteen were wounded, Captain Byrne severely so. The King of Benin and his priests fled from the town. When the expedition entered the town deep holes filled with corpses were discovered. The Fuju houses reeked with human blood. A few of the carriers of Consul Phillips' ill-fated expedition were found alive in a well, amongst a number of dead bodies. The Maxim guns played great havoc amongst the natives. The fighting lasted for eight hours.

AN OXFORD PROFESSOR KILLED.

Feb. 19.—Mr W. Wallace, M.A., the Whyte Professor of Moral Philosophy at Oxford University, was killed while bicycling to-day.

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Feb. 21.—Great Britain has ratified the Paris Sanitary Convention of 1894, which embodies provisions for preventing the introduction into Europe of such epidemics as the bubonic plague now raging in India.

Feb. 23.—At the sitting of the International Sanitary Conference at Venice yesterday the British delegates stated that with the view of preventing the spread of the bubonic plague the native pilgrimage from India to Mecca had been prohibited. The conference decided to request the other European Powers to endeavour to prevent the pilgrimage.

AUSTRALIAN MEAT FOR THE ARMY.

Feb. 20.—In reply to a question in the House of Commons last night, the Hon. Wm. St. John F. Brodrick, Under-Secretary for War, stated that experts were instituting inquiries as to whether the qualities of home-grown meat, as compared with Australian frozen meat, justified an increased use of the former in the army. Unless such was the case it would prove much more costly.

THE TRANSVAAL RAID—FURTHER REVELATIONS BY RHODES.

Feb. 19.—In the House of Commons last night, Mr Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the Colonies, announced that a message had been received from the Transvaal Government claiming a sum of £677,938 for material damage resulting from the Jameson raid, and £1,000,000 in respect of damage to the country on moral and intellectual grounds. He stated that the wording of the communication was ambiguous. Possibly the total amount claimed was £1,000,000, though he thought this was not so. The announcement of the message to the House was received with laughter. The newspapers this morning ridicule the claim.

Feb. 20.—Mr Cecil Rhodes was further examined yesterday before the committee of the House of Commons appointed to inquire into the Transvaal Raid. Mr Rhodes admitted that Lord Rosmead, Governor of Cape Colony, was aware of the movement on the Rand, and that he was willing in the event of a rising to proceed to the Rand with the view of mediating in regard to the larger civil rights of the uitlanders. Lord Rosmead was, however, unaware of the preparations that were being made on the Rand in relation to the Jameson raid or of his (Mr Rhodes's) connection with them. Mr Rhodes denied that he gave information to the British South Africa Company, or to the directors, of the movement on the Rand, except possibly to Mr Rochefort M'Guire, one of the directors. He only cabled to Mr Harris, his London agent. Mr Rhodes admitted that his conduct was indefensible, except from the point of view that his object was to advance the interests of South Africa and the British South Africa Company. His desire was to establish a federal union in South Africa, leaving the decision of the Transvaal to join the union to be determined by a plebiscite. It was intended that the scheme of Mr J. B. Robinson, the South African capitalist and chairman of a number of companies, for the formation of a republic should be replaced by Mr Rhodes's larger scheme.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, March 16, 1897.

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NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

A GERMAN ATTACK ON ENGLAND.

London, Feb. 10.—A dispatch to the *Telegraph* from Berlin says the *National Zeitung* has made an angry attack on England, which country that journal accuses of being desirous of forwarding its own policy by allowing free action to the Russian-French desire for the formation of a Greek empire. Great Britain thus hopes to gain her ends through the outbreak over the Cretan question.

GREAT FIRE IN RUSSIA.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—Fire has broken out in the naphtha district of Baku. Twenty-nine boring platforms and five depots containing a million poods of naphtha have been destroyed.

JAPANESE COLONY IN MEXICO.

New York, February 12.—A *Sun* special from the City of Mexico says: President Diaz has signed a contract with representatives of the Japanese Government for the establishment of a colony of 5000 Japanese, who will come to Mexico direct from Japan. The colony will be located on the rich agricultural lands in the coast section of the State of Chiapas. The colonists and their belongings are exempted from taxation for a long term of years and many other liberal concessions are given them. It is claimed that that district is adapted to tea culture.

CANADIAN HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT PARTIALLY DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Ottawa, Feb. 12.—The Dominion Parliament buildings in this city narrowly escaped destruction by the fire which started yesterday afternoon and burned until after midnight. The loss is in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million dollars. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

The general alarm was struck and the whole fire brigade turned out and was soon at active work. Streams were poured upon the flames from all directions. The fire continued to spread, however, and soon the tower on the southwest corner fell. The center tower was next destroyed, and the flames, continuing to eat their way, reached the next large tower, commenced to lick that, and finally had it completely engulfed in ruins.

The local Fire Department for hours was powerless to subdue the flames and an appeal was sent to Montreal for help, but before the extra engines arrived the fire was under control.

The spectacle of the blazing buildings was a grand one, and the vicinity was crowded with thousands of people.

The old western department building, where the fire was fiercest, was damaged $100,000 by the fire. The upper floors with the mansard roof were completely burned out, but the main offices on the second and third floors are all safe, the fire not having gotten through the concrete floors.

Much damage was done by water, but no important departmental documents was destroyed.

The offices destroyed are those of the Public Works Department of Marine and Fisheries and Mounted Police. Lack of pressure, bad hose, frozen hydrants and a variety of causes contributed to the poor work of the Fire Brigade.

The construction of a modern building in place of the one wrecked will cost not less than $250,000.

A BIG STEAMER ASHORE.

Liverpool, February 9.—The steamer *Angloman*, from Boston, January 30th, for this port, is ashore off Skerries. A dense fog prevails. The steamer lies in an upright position, but is rolling and probably working damage to her bottom. The vessel has a hole forward and is filling. The *Angloman* is a four-masted steel steamer, 403 feet long, registering 3036 tons net and 4892 tons gross. She is owned by Richards, Miles & Co. of Liverpool, but has been under charter since her launching to Warren & Co. The value of the steamer is placed at $400,000, and the cargo she carries was worth an equal amount.

TWENTY MEN DROWNED.

Glasgow, February 11.—It is now stated that twenty members of the crew of the British steamer *Cayanus* were drowned in the wreck near Ushant, France. The steamer was bound from Bilboa to this port.

DEATH OF FRANK MAY, THE BANKER.

London, February 9.—Frank May, formerly chief cashier and practically manager of the Bank of England until he resigned in 1893, is dead. His father was junior partner in Coleman & May, stockbrokers, and was connected with several trust companies which collapsed in 1893. The reason given for requesting the resignation of Mr May was that he induced the bank to engage in transactions not in accordance with the traditions of the Bank of England. It was stated that the losses sustained did not exceed $125,000. A report was circulated after May's retirement that he had been made a scapegoat for irregularities of the directors. Some reports said that the Bank of England lost as much as $1,500,000 in transactions with the Muletas and the South American and Mexican Company.

ARTIST MUNKACSY HOPELESSLY INSANE.

London, February 9.—A dispatch to the *Daily Telegraph* from Vienna confirms the report that Michael Munkacsy, the celebrated artist, is hopelessly insane. The correspondent says that for months while at Godesburg, suffering from spinal paralysis, Munkacsy was brooding and melancholy. Suddenly, in an excess of madness, he attacked and nearly strangled the attendants and one of the doctors. Accordingly he was sent to the insane asylum. The doctors report that the paralysis is increasing with alarming rapidity and that the prospects of his recovery are very remote.

PROPOSED DISESTABLISHMENT OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

London, Feb. 9.—Samuel Smith (Liberal), formerly president of the Liverpool Chamber Commerce, moved in the House of Commons to-day the disestablishment and disendowment of the Church of England. He contended that established churches were inimical to popular rights. Mr Arthur Balfour described the motion as a shame and wasting the time of the House. It was rejected by a vote of 204 to 83. Smith is the author of 'Credibility of the Christian Religion.'

Exchange

HONGKONG, March 16, 1897.

On London—	
Bank, Wire,	2/0⅛
,, On demand,	2/0 3/16
,, 30 days' sight,	2/0¼
,, 4 months' sight,	2/0 5/16
Credits, 4 ,, ,,	2/0⅜
Documentary, 4 months' sights,	2/0⅜
On Paris—	
On demand,	2.54
Credits, 4 months' sight,	2.58
On Berlin—Demand,	2.00
On New York—	
On demand,	49½
Credits, 60 days' sight,	50½
On Bombay—	
Wire,	160¾
On demand,	161
On Calcutta—	
Wire,	160¾
On demand,	16[illegible]
On Shanghai—	
On demand,	72
30 days' sight, (private paper)	73¼
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)	$81.50
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	$ 9.83
Silver (per oz.)	[illegible]

Notices to Consignees.

FROM BOMBAY, TUTICORIN AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Idzumi Maru* having arrived from above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Valuables, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, at Wanchai, whence delivery may be obtained.

All chafed or damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company, and sent into this Office within seven days after the Vessel's arrival, after which no Claims will be recognised, and Goods remaining undelivered will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, March 15, 1897. 525

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship *Glenaron* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 19th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 26th Instant, otherwise they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th Instant, at 11 a.m.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 13, 1897. 517

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAMSHIP *VICTORIA*,
FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND SHANGHAI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 11, 1897. 496

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship *Aglaia*, Captain MADSEN, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-MORROW.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LD., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th Inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 10, 1897. 486

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. *AGLAIA*.

THE s. s. *Aglaia* having arrived under average Consignees are hereby informed that a GENERAL AVERAGE BOND must be Signed and a deposit of 15 per Cent. made on the arrived Value of the Cargo previous to countersignature of Bills of Lading. The Average Bond is lying at the OFFICE of the undersigned for Signature.

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Hongkong, March, 10, 1897. 487

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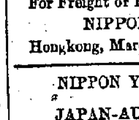
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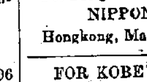
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Agent.

Hongkong, March 16, 1897. 538

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.



The Co.'s Steamship *Tsinan*, Captain RAMSAY, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 17th Instant.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, March 13, 1897. 452

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JAPAN-BOMBAY LINE.

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FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.



The Co.'s Steamship *Idzumi Maru*, Captain J. M. CURNOW, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 18th Instant, at Noon.

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Hongkong, March 10, 1897. 488

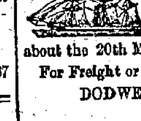
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The Co.'s Steamship *Yamashiro Maru*, Captain J. JONES, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 19th Instant, at Noon.

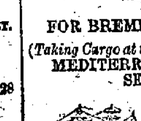
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Hongkong, March 12, 1897. 446

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.



The Steamship *Arratoon Apcar*, Capt. K. H. SUNDBERG, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 20th Instant, at 3 p.m.

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Hongkong, March 13, 1897. 514

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.



The Co.'s Steamship *Deucalion*, Captain BRANCH, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 20th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, March 13, 1897. 515

FOR YOKOHAMA (DIRECT).



The Steamship *Taiwan Maru* will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 20th March.

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The Co.'s Steamship *Nestor*, Captain ASQUITH, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 22nd Instant.

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FOR NEW YORK *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

The British Steamship *Breconshire*, Captain PERELLE, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 3rd April.

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Hongkong, March 8, 1897. 497

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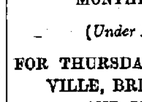
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The Co.'s Steamship *Hiroshima Maru*, Capt. G. SHIMADZU, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 17th Instant, at 4 p.m.

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Hongkong, March 16, 1897. 526

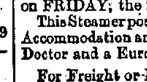
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(Also to NATAL, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH & CAPE TOWN).



The Co.'s Steamship *Maria Valerie*, Captain A. FELLNER, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 19th Instant.

Cargo will not be received on board after 3 p.m. prior to date of sailing.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

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Hongkong, March 15, 1897. 528

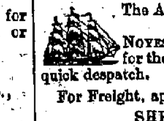
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The Co.'s Steamship *Tokio Maru*, Capt. E. S. BARSTOW, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 26th March, at 4 p.m.

This Steamer possesses Superior Passenger Accommodation and carries a duly-qualified Doctor and a European Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, February 23, 1897. 361

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MONTHLY SERVICE.

FOR LONDON AND ANTWERP, *VIA* SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, PORT SAID AND MARSEILLES.



The Co.'s Steamship *Kinshiu Maru*, Capt. W. THOMPSEN, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 3rd April, at 4 p.m.

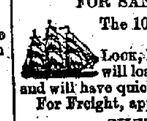
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Hongkong, March 15, 1897. 527

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FOR SAN FRANCISCO.



The 100 *A.1.* British ship *Falls of Dee*, LOCK, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

Hongkong, February 4, 1897. 243

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The American Barque *Coloma*, NOYES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

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Hongkong, February 10, 1897. 294

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Hongkong, November 5, 1896. 2233

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ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

TO-MORROW, the 17th Instant, at Noon, the Company's Steamship *QUEANIEN*, Captain SCHMITZ, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES *viâ* Ports of Call, without Transhipment.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 a.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 16th Instant. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 16, 1897. 445

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

Victoria.....	3,167	Tuesday..	Mar. 23.
Olympia.....	2,608	Tuesday.	April 13.
Brasmar.....	3,601	Tuesday.	May 11.
Tacoma.....	2,549	Tuesday.	May 25.
Victoria.....	3,167	Tuesday.	June 8.
Olympia.....	2,608	Tuesday.	June 29.

THE Steamship *VICTORIA*, Captain J. PAYNE, R.N.R., sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 23rd Instant, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.), and TACOMA (Wash.), *viâ* SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and United States Points.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate, and *one copy must be sent forward by the steamer* to the care of The Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 p.m., on the day previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, March 10, 1897. 493

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA & BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO,

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Sachsen.....	Tuesday ...	March 30.
Bayern.....	Tuesday ...	April 27.
Prinz Heinrich	Tuesday...	May 25.

ON TUESDAY, the 30th day of March, 1897, at 9 a.m., the Company's S.S. *SACHSEN*, Captain SUPHER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this port as above, *calling at* NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 27th March, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m., on MONDAY, the 29th March, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office) until Noon, on MONDAY, the 29th March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than $2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
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Hongkong, March 8, 1897. 481

Mails.

U. S. Mail Line.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, N'saki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama)...	TUESDAY, March 23, at noon.
China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Honolulu)	TUESDAY, April 13, at noon.
Peru (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & H'lulu)....	SATURDAY, May 1, at noon.

THE U.S. Mail S. S. *CITY OF PEKING* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA; on TUESDAY, the 23rd March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination, the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, *viâ* Overland Railway, to Havana Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, March 2, 1897. 436

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, *VIA* THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS, *VIA* INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and H'lulu)	THURSDAY, April 1, at noon.
Belgic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea and Yokohama).....	THURSDAY, April 22, at noon.
Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and H'lulu)	TUESDAY, May 11, at noon.

THE Steamship *DORIC* will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 1st April, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point *en route*.

Through Passengers Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (*or vice versa*) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

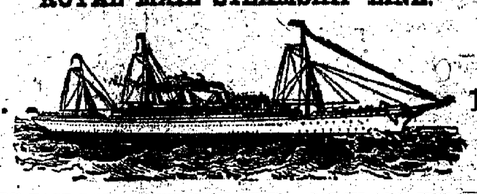
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J. S. VAN BUREN,
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Hongkong, March 12, 1897. 494

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THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, *VIA* CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

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Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN....Comdr. H. PYBUS, R.N.R.... ....WEDNESDAY, 17th Mar./97.
EMPRESS OF CHINA....Comdr. R. ARCHIBALD, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 7th April/97.
EMPRESS OF INDIA....Comdr. O. P. MARSHALL, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 28th April/97

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montréal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TOUR TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months £100.

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THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, etc., apply to

D. E. BROWN, *General Agent,*
PEDDER STREET.

Hongkong, February 17, 1897. 343

Mails.



STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE S.S. *KAISAR-I-HIND*, Captain C. L. DANIEL, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on THURSDAY, the 25th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed *viâ* Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, March 11, 1897. 503

Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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Authorised Capital.....£3,000,000.0.0
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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
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Hongkong, July 23, 1896. 1547

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Hongkong, December 19, 1896. 2098

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Hongkong, November 24, 1894. 1907

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CHOPS, STEAKS, etc., etc., at any time, between 7.30 a.m. and 11.30 p.m.

Monthly Boarders at Moderate Rates.

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Hongkong, September 3, 1896. 1786

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THE MANAGER.
New Victoria Hotel.

Hongkong, November 24, 1896. 725

THOMAS'S GRILL ROOM.

THIS Establishment has undergone extensive alterations. The DINING ROOM being now upstairs, and a Large BILLIARD ROOM (having Two New BURROUGH and WATTS' TABLES) being added to the Hotel.

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	$ c.		$ c.
Half-hour	0.10	Three hours	0.50
One hour	0.20	Six hours	0.75
Day (6 a.m. to 6 p.m.)	$1.		

If the ride is extended beyond Victoria, half-fare extra.

BEYOND VICTORIA, WITH FOUR BEARERS.

Hour	0.60	Six hours	1.50
Three hours	1.00	Day (6 to 6)	2.00

Jinrikishas.

(With single driver).

Quarter hour	0.05	Hour	0.10
Half hour	0.10	Every subsequent hour	0.10

Note.—Victoria extends from Mount Davis to Observatory Road and up the hill to Government House. If the ride is extended beyond these limits, half-fare extra. Jinrikishas are not allowed for the journey between Victoria and Kowloon, but may be hired for trips on the Kowloon side.

HONGKONG MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Saturday, March 13, 1897.
At 1020 Cash per Dollar Mexican.

		Prices. Highest.	Lowest.	Chinese Names.
Butcher Meat.		Cash.	Cash.	肉食
Bacon, English,	lb.	—	—	來路烟猪肉
,, Amo. Sugar cured	,,	340	—	花旗烟猪肉
,, Foochow,	,,	200	—	福州烟猪肉
,, Japan, cured	,,	240	—	日本鹽猪肉
Beef sirloin & prime cut.	catty	140	—	尾龍扒
,, Corned,	catty	140	—	鹹牛肉
,, Roast,	,,	130	—	燒牛肉
,, Soup,	,,	100	—	湯肉
,, Steak,	,,	120	—	牛肉趕
Bullock's Brains,	per set	60	50	牛腦
,, Tongue fresh,	each	250	—	牛脷
,, ,, corned	,,	310	—	鹹牛利
,, Head,	,,	500	—	牛頭
,, Heart,	,,	150	—	牛心
,, Hump, Salt	catty	140	—	牛肩
,, Feet,	each	60	50	牛脾
,, Kidneys,	,,	50	—	牛腰
,, Tail,	,,	100	—	牛尾
,, Liver,	catty	70	—	牛肝
,, Tripe (undressed)	catty	60	50	牛肚
Calves Head and Feet,	set	600	—	牛仔頭脚
Hams, American,	lb.	340	—	花旗火腿
,, Chinese,	,,	—	—	金華火腿
,, English, New,	,,	450	—	來路火腿
,, Japan cured,	,,	280	—	日本火腿
,, Shanghai,	,,	220	—	上海火腿
Mutton Chop,	,,	150	—	羊牌骨
,, Leg,	,,	150	—	羊脷
,, Shoulder,	,,	120	—	羊手
Pigs' Chitlings,	catty	70	60	猪腸
,, Feet,	,,	110	—	猪脚
,, Fry,	,,	160	—	猪雜
,, Head,	each	500	450	猪頭
,, Heart,	,,	50	40	猪心
,, Kidneys,	pair	70	—	猪腰
,, Liver,	lb.	160	—	猪肝
Pork, Chop,	catty	180	—	猪牌骨
,, Corned,	,,	—	—	鹹猪肉
,, Leg,	,,	190	—	猪腿
,, Fat or Lard,	,,	150	—	猪油
Sheeps' Head and Feet,	set	350	—	羊頭脚
,, Heart,	each	50	40	羊心
,, Kidneys,	,,	70	—	羊腰
,, Liver,	lb.	150	140	羊肝
Sucking Pigs,	each	$1.75	$1.25	猪仔
Suet, Beef,	lb.	110	—	生牛油
,, Mutton,	,,	100	—	生羊油
Veal,	catty	130	—	牛仔肉
Poultry.				生口
Chicken,	catty	200	—	鷄仔
Capons,	,,	220	—	鷄閹
Ducks,	,,	170	—	鴨
Doves,	each	—	—	斑鳩
Eggs, Hen	doz.	120	—	鷄蛋
,, Duck	,,	110	—	鴨蛋
Fowls,	catty	180	—	鷄
Geese,	,,	160	—	鵝
Hares,	each	600	—	兎仔
Musk Deer,	,,	$3.60	—	黃麞
Partridges,	,,	450	—	鷓鴣
Pigeons,	,,	230	—	白鴿
Pheasant,	brace	$1.30	—	上海山鷄
Rice Birds,	doz.	—	—	禾花雀
Quail	each	130	—	鶉鳥
Snipe,	,,	170	—	沙錐
Turkeys, Cock,	catty	500	—	火鷄公
,, Hen,	,,	400	—	火鷄嫲
Teal,	each	400	—	水鴨
Wild Ducks,	pair	$1.10	—	上海水鴨
Fish.				海鮮
Barbel,	catty	180	—	加魚
Bream,	,,	80	—	鯿魚
Bombay Ducks,	100 pieces	250	—	孟咪魚
C'ton Fresh Water Fish,	catty	—	—	淘鯇魚
Carp,	,,	130	—	鯉魚
Catfish,	,,	—	—	鯰魚
Codfish, Salt,	,,	80	—	鹹鱈魚
Crabs,	,,	160	—	蟹
Cuttle Fish,	,,	80	—	墨魚
Dab,	,,	60	—	沙魚
Dace,	,,	90	—	黃尾鯇
Dog Fish,	,,	—	—	跌倒沙
Eels, Conger,	,,	—	—	海鰻
,, Fresh water,	,,	200	—	淡水鰻
Eels, Yellow,	,,	160	—	黃鰻
File Fish,	,,	—	—	剝皮洋
Frogs,	,,	180	—	田鷄
Fresh Fish,	,,	80	—	鮮魚
Garoupa,	,,	300	—	石斑
Gudgeon,	,,	90	—	白蛤鯇
Gurnard,	,,	80	—	紅魚
Herrings,	,,	120	—	白鰣
,, smoked	box	—	—	鹹鰣
Halibut,	catty	700	—	比目魚
Labrus,	,,	120	—	黃花魚
Loach,	,,	180	—	泥鰍
Lobsters,	,,	100	—	龍蝦
Mackerel,	,,	—	—	鯖魚
Mock Fish,	,,	—	—	假魚
Mullet,	,,	110	—	烏頭
Oysters,	,,	170	—	蠔豉
Perches,	,,	120	—	鱸魚
Perch,	catty	70	—	鯇魚
Pike,	,,	—	—	花鮫魚
Plaice,	,,	—	—	鰈魚
Pomfret, White	,,	180	—	白鯧
Pomfret, Black	,,	120	—	黑鯧
Prawns,	,,	200	—	明蝦
Ray,	,,	50	—	琵琶沙
Rock Fish,	,,	70	—	石狗公
Roach,	,,	—	—	鯊魚
Salmon, (Canton),	,,	240	—	馬友魚
Shark,	,,	50	—	鯊魚
Salt Fish,	,,	100	—	鹹魚
Skate,	,,	60	—	鮠魚
Shrimps,	,,	150	—	蝦
Snapper,	,,	180	—	立魚
Soles,	,,	160	—	鏟沙魚
Tench,	,,	—	—	鯽魚
Turbot,	,,	130	—	左口魚
Turtles, small, fresh water,	,,	360	—	龍魚
Whiting,	catty	—	—	長魚
White Bait,	,,	90	—	銀魚仔
Fruits.				菓子
Apples, (California),	catty	300	—	金山平菓
,, (Tientsin),	,,	—	—	天津平菓
,, (Japan),	,,	—	—	日本平菓
Bananas, fragrant,	,,	30	—	省城香蕉
,, (brides),	,,	—	—	山香蕉
Chestnuts, Chinese,	,,	100	—	風栗
Carambola,	,,	100	—	楊桃
Cocoanuts,	each	50	—	椰子
Ground Nuts,	catty	90	—	花生
Grapes,	,,	170	—	鮮提子
Lemons, China,	,,	80	—	檸檬
,, Peel,	,,	—	—	桔餅
Lichees, Dried,	,,	260	—	荔枝乾
,, Fresh,	,,	—	—	荔枝
Limes,	,,	—	—	柠檬
Mango, (Saigon),	each	—	—	安南芒菓
,, (Manila),	,,	180	—	呂宋芒
Mangosteen,	dozen	—	—	山竹子
Oranges, Sweet,	catty	100	—	新會甜橙
,, Green,	,,	60	—	青橙
,, Red,	,,	70	—	紅桔
Olives,	,,	80	—	白欖
Pine-apples,	each	50	—	本地波羅
Pears,	catty	100	—	沙梨
,, (Tientsin),	,,	140	—	天津雪梨
Pumelo,	each	90	—	碌柚
,, (Siam),	catty	100	—	暹羅柚
Peach, (Sweet),	,,	—	—	甜桃
Raisins, Muscatel,	,,	—	—	葡提子
,, Pudding,	,,	—	—	燒提
Water Chestnuts, com.	,,	40	—	馬蹄
,, Mandarin,	,,	60	—	桂林馬蹄
Walnuts,	,,	130	—	合桃
Vegetables, &c.				菜蔬
Artichokes, Shanghai,	catty	50	—	上海丫治竹
Beans, (French),	,,	100	—	佛國西豆角
,, Long,	,,	—	—	豆角
Beet Root,	each	30	—	紅菜頭
Brinjals, Green,	catty	40	—	青茄子
,, Red,	,,	50	—	紅茄
Brassica,	,,	30	—	白菜
Bamboo Shoots,	,,	110	—	竹筍
Cabbage, Chinese com.	,,	20	—	芥菜
Cabbage, Shanghai,	each	60	—	椰菜
Cauliflower,	,,	150	120	椰菜花
Carrots,	catty	30	—	金笋
Celery, Chinese,	,,	40	—	唐芹菜
,, English,	,,	60	—	洋芹菜
Chillies Dried,	,,	130	—	辣椒乾
,, Red,	,,	250	—	紅花椒
Curry Stuff, English,	,,	40	—	加屋咖喱
Cucumbers,	,,	—	—	青瓜
Bitter Squash,	,,	—	—	苦瓜
Garlic,	,,	50	—	蒜頭
Ginger, young,	,,	50	—	斬子薑
Horse Radish, S'hai,	,,	120	—	力模
Indian Corn,	,,	—	—	粟米
Lettuce, (English),	each	10	—	洋生菜
Mushrooms, Fresh,	catty	—	—	生草菇
Onions, Bombay,	,,	80	—	洋蔥頭
,, Green,	,,	30	—	生蔥
,, Shanghai,	,,	—	—	上海蔥頭
,, Japan,	,,	40	—	日本蔥頭
Okroes,	,,	140	—	毛燕
Parsley, English,	bundle	10	—	洋芫荽
Potatoes, Sweet,	catty	20	—	香薯仔
,, Shanghai,	,,	—	—	上海薯仔
,, Japan,	,,	—	—	日本薯仔
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Pumpkin,	,,	20	—	冬瓜
Purslins,	,,	—	—	猪仔菜
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Spinach,	,,	30	—	莧菜
Snake Gourd,	,,	40	—	蛇瓜
Tomatoes,	,,	40	—	番茄
Taro,	,,	20	15	芋頭
Turnips, Pusti, (Long),	each	10	—	白蘿蔔
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One spring-time day a gentle maid
Adown the garden pathway strayed
That wound the shady orchard through;
And, thinking of her eyes of blue,
And tender glances, sweet and true,
I followed suit—pray, wouldn't you?

A saucy breeze that chanced to stray
Along that fragrant garden way
Swept back her wavy golden hair,
Surprised to see a maid so fair,
And sighed for love such charms to view,
I followed suit—pray, wouldn't you?

A ray from out the sunlit sky
Espied the maid as she passed by,
And rained his kisses, soft and warm,
On neck and hair and snowy arm
And cheek of apple-blossom hue,
I followed suit—pray, wouldn't you?

A TRIPLE EXECUTION AT BANGKOK.

A BARBAROUS BUTCHERY.

Bangkok, Feb. 25.

This morning three natives paid the penalty of a crime which was of a particularly atrocious nature. Some time ago the trio had tortured in a most barbarous fashion a young girl for attempting to elope with her lover. They had proceeded with fiendish ingenuity to kill her by inches by breaking bone by bone, and allowed the poor girl to die slowly under her injuries. Fifteen days were occupied in this diabolical work, after which the unfortunate victim expired. For this crime a Siamese and his wife, apparently about 40 years of age each, and a *luksin* were arrested and tried for the crime. They were sentenced to death, and after some considerable delay the death warrants were signed by the King, and the 25th February was notified for the triple execution at Wat Mahakasan, behind the rifle butts.

THE EXECUTION GROUND.

The ground chosen for the expiation of the terrible crime recorded above was a bare patch within the wat grounds and along the edge of the Klong at Sapatoom.

Though the locality is well removed from the city and very difficult of approach, except by boat, the execution ground was crowded, from a very early hour, by officials, Europeans, and crowds of natives and Chinese who filled the klong in boats or were perched on every possible vantage ground to view the gruesome proceedings. A small circular plot had been enclosed by a blue cloth, and inside this space of a few hundred feet circumference Europeans, to the number of twenty or so, officials, police, soldiers and executioners were crowded. The scene was as attractive as it was depressing. A few feet away could be seen the newly dug and shallow graves of the criminals about to be beheaded, while moving in and out of the crowd of natives could be seen the grim executioners with their weapons of office tucked under their arms, and with a matter-of-fact air of business which somewhat jarred on the nerves and attracted considerable comment. All attention was fixed on the movements of these personages conspicuous in their red uniforms fringed with gold lace, and several of whom were of herculean proportions for Siamese. It was remarked how tenderly and with what apparent solicitude the small bamboo crosses were placed in the dry earth. A bird might have pulled those stakes up, yet they were intended to maintain the prisoners in place while the sword of Justice did its awful duty. The stakes, about a foot in length, having been arranged, fresh banana leaves were placed at the foot of each stake as a resting place for each prisoner, a little attention that was curiously noted in view of the approaching tragedy.

THE CRIMINALS.

These few preparations made and after examination by the Governor of the gaol, it only remained to await the principal actors in the scene. The execution had been fixed for 6 a.m., but it was now 7.20 and the condemned had not arrived. A few minutes later, however, the prison boat was seen approaching, and with chains around their necks the three unfortunates were led by their gaolers into the small arena reserved for their just punishment. The two male prisoners did not appear to feel their awful position very keenly, but the unhappy woman was scarcely able to walk and had to be borne along by her gaolers.

As is customary a few minutes grace—or agony—was granted the condemned. They sat down in a group in front of the middle stake, and quietly and passively enjoyed what little time was left them in chewing betel-nut. The *luk-chin* seemed particularly unconcerned, and chatted freely with those about him. The Siamese woman was, however, in a complete state of collapse. Resting her emaciated frame in a crouching position, with her head falling forward on the clasped hands in the attitude of fervent prayer, the figure was pitiable in the extreme and led to many an ejaculation of deep sympathy from among the European group of onlookers. It seemed impossible almost to conceive that this worn and frail piece of humanity could have assisted in the commission of so terrible a crime as that for which she was now condemned to a violent death.

THE PRELIMINARIES.

Half an hour or so had now been allowed these unfortunates who resembled wild beasts led to the slaughter rather than reasonable creatures. The executioners had in turn addressed them excusing to their victims the part they would soon have to play in the terrible drama. Each criminal was now conducted to his stake, the woman being placed in the centre, a distance of eight yards or so separating each of the three condemned persons. The same stolid attitude was still maintained by the criminals. Each appeared a mere machine in the proceedings, and but for an occasional heaving of the breast all signs of life appeared to have departed. The female prisoner, however, occasionally wiped her eyes and adjusted the cotton cloth, worn by her class, across her breast. Her crime was undoubtedly great, but her condition was pitiable.

The work of binding was finished. The ears of the condemned had been filled with soft clay, and joss-sticks were now lighted in front of each prisoner who seemed quite dead to further proceedings. The chief executioner had placed on the neck of each criminal the red mark to guide the headman's aim, and all was in readiness for the last and final act. Yet still matters dragged on. There was more whispering between the red-coated executioners and the victims, more adjustments to be made and a few final touches to be given to the positions of the condemned or to their general toilet arrangements. At length all was finished after what appeared an unnecessary and cruelly prolonged wait for the three chief actors.

A BARBAROUS BUTCHERY.

The six blood-red executioners now retired with unsteady steps—for they were all more or less under the influence of drink—to a recess under a bamboo, and there prepared their toilets. Swords were unsheathed and heads bound with red cotton bands. These preliminaries completed the six brawny headsmen, like huge blood clots against the innocent green foliage, with bare arms and gleaming weapons, then knelt and salaamed six times in the direction of their three victims. This ceremony over, the six men of blood entered the small arena with fantastic gambols, a weird waving of their swords, and a motion little calculated to give accuracy of aim and short despatch. Amidst a deep and deadly silence the fantastic executioners, in pairs, sidled up to their prey. Three simultaneous flashing swishes, three thuds, and three bright red torrents of blood with three prone figures writhing in agony, now met the horrified gaze of the spectators. Each pair of executioners had struck in turn madly and blindly at the necks of the three criminals, and the six unsteady swords of the law had hideously bungled their work. The unfortunate woman received a ghastly blow on the side of the head and was probably stunned by this first blow. A second barbarous slash divided the woman's arm from her body, while four or five blows were needed before the head was severed from the body.

The *luksin* was more fortunate, and his head fell after three slashes from the two executioners told off to decapitate him. The Siamese was, however, hacked about in a manner horrible to contemplate. As the wife had been rudely butchered so was the husband. While the body was writhing on the ground one of the executioners was sawing at the head with his blunt-edged weapon, and was only cut short in his ghastly labour by the butcher who had so cruelly mangled the woman severing the hanging head with one blow.

There were no two opinions among those present as to the horrible mismanagement of the six executioners. They bungled their work and caused unnecessary pain and suffering. Their unsteady and fantastic gambols, which appeared unnecessary in these circumstances, added to their libations, contributed to make the last act in this dreadful scene a barbarous butchery rather than a well-managed execution. Executions are not common in Siam, but at the next that may be necessary it would be well to insist that less liquor be drunk by the executioners, that the fantastic gambols should be suppressed, and that a weapon better adopted to the terrible work should be used.—*Siam Free Press.*

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The zero of the table is Low Water Ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found to be 2 feet below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft. 7 in., and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 12 ft. 9 in. to the height given in the table.

17th to 23rd March.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Low Water. Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.
		h m	ft. in.	h m	ft. in.
Wed.	17	m 8 40	2 7	m 2 31	−1 1
		8 1 a	5 0	1 46 a	−1 8
Thur.	18	m 8 57	3 1	m 3 2	−1 0
		8 52 a	4 11	2 34 a	0 0
Fri.	19	m 9 21	3 8	m 3 32	−0 10
		9 42 a	4 6	3 21 a	−0 7
Sat.	20	m 9 50	4 2	m 4 1	−0 3
		10 32 a	4 8	4 9 a	−1 0
Sun.	21	m 10 24	4 7	m 4 28	−0 1
		11 17 a	3 7	5 0 a	−1 3
Mon.	22	m 11 3	4 10	m 4 54	0 4
				5 57 a	−1 2
Tues.	23	m 0 27	2 10	m 5 17	0 9
		m 11 44	4 11	7 2 a	−0 11

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"Thumb Rock to southernmost porch on Amoy side, 44° 30'.

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"(Squad. Not. to Mar. 4, 1896.)

"(*Report of Navigator of U.S.S. Machias, forwarded by Commanding Officer.*)

"(Signed) F. V. McNAIR,
"Rear Admiral U.S. Navy,
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Steamers.								
Albingia	5 c	Witt	Ger. str.	1190	Mar. 13	Wieler & Co.		
Amara	2 c	Kent	Brit. str.	1566	Mar. 9	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Arratoon Apcar	5 k	Sundberg	Brit. str.	1392	Mar. 12	David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Saigon	To-morrow
Belgic	....	Rinder	Brit. str.	2695	Jan. 28	O. & O S. S. Co.		
Benmohr	3 k	Butillier	Brit. str.	1935	Feb. 2	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	....	Cos'tan Dock
Bygdo	5 c	Pollissen	Norw. str.	773	Feb. 28	Wieler & Co.		
Choysang	3 c	Bowker	Brit. str.	1194	Mar. 16	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
City of Peking	5 c	Smith	Amer. str.	3128	Mar. 15	P. M. S. S. Co.		
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Empress of Japan	5 h	Pybus	Brit. str.	6000	Feb. 23	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver, B.C.	To-morrow
Federation	5 c	Prentice	Brit. str.	1570	Mar. 3	Lauts, Wegener & Co.		
Foochow	3 h	Blackburne	Brit. str.	1252	Mar. 10	Butterfield & Swire	Newchwang	To-morrow
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Guadalquivir	2 k	Vincenti	Fren. str.	1520	Mar. 15	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	To-morrow
Hailan	3 c	Goepel	Fch. str.	377	Mar. 14	A. R. Marty	Hoihow	To-morrow
Hanoi	....	Gerard	Fch. str.	73[illegible]	Mar. 6	A. R. Marty	....	K'loon Dock
Helene Rickmers	8 c	Brandstetter	Ger. str.	1964	Mar. 11	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Hiroshima Maru	7 c	Shimadzu	Japan. str.	2031	Mar. 15	Nippon Yusen Kaisha		
Hunan	5 c	Frazer	Brit. str.	1158	Feb. 14	Butterfield & Swire	Singapore & Bombay	To-morrow.
Idzumi Maru	5 c	Curnow	Japan. str.	1979	Mar. 15	Nippon Yusen Kaisha		
Kachidate Maru	....	Narasaki	Japan. str.	2143	Feb. 16	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Kyoto Maru	5 c	Sakuma	Japan. str.	1665	Mar. 12	Order	....	K'loon Dock
Loyal	3 c	Lorensen	Ger. str.	1237	Mar. 11	Wieler & Co.		
Meefoo	3 c	Klopfer	Chi. str.	1339	Mar. 14	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Mongkut	3 c	Calder	Brit. str.	859	Mar. 13	Yuen Fat Hong		
Nord	3 c	Bull	Norw. str.	768	Mar. 14	Meyer & Co.		
Oanfa	5 c	Baster	Brit. str.	1970	Mar. 16	Holliday, Wise & Co.	Singapore	To-morrow
Oceanien	5 c	Schmitz	Fren. str.	2080	Mar. 16	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	To-morrow
Pronto	5 c	Meyer	Ger. str.	720	Mar. 13	Siemssen & Co.	Europe, &c.	To-morrow
Sabine Rickmers	5 c	Sanders	Ger str.	598	Mar. 9	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.		
Salazie	2 k	Paul	Fren. str.	2088	Mar. 16	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	To-day
Strathleven	8 c	Moar	Brit. str.	1588	Mar. 14	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.		
Suisang	8 c	Galsworthy	Brit. str.	1779	Mar. 6	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore & Calcutta	To-day
Sullberg	3 c	Jessen	Ger. str.	782	Mar. 10	Siemssen & Co.	Taiwanfoo	To-morrow
Sungkiang	3 c	Dodd	Brit. str.	994	Mar. 15	Butterfield & Swire		
Tainan	5 c	Ramsay	Brit. str.	1495	Mar. 13	Butterfield & Swire		
Victoria	8 c	Panton	Brit. str.	1992	Mar. 11	Dodwell, Carlill & Co.	Tacoma, &c.	23rd inst.
Yamashiro Maru	5 c	Jones	Japan. str.	1567	Mar. 16	Nippon Yusen Kaisha		
Zafiro	5 c	Cobban	Brit. str.	675	Mar. 13	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Manila	To-morrow
Sailing Vessels.								
Coloma	3 c	Noyes	Amr. bqe.	814	Jan. 17	Captain		
Eurydice	2 k	Knox	Brit. sh.	1156	Feb. 4	Captain		
Falls of Dee	8 c	Lock	Br. 4m. sh.	1845	Feb. 16	Standard Oil Co.		
Henry Failing	8 c	Merriman	Amer. sh.	1899	Feb. 28	Order		
Kambira	5 c	Brownell	Brit. sh.	1885	Mar. 4	Master		
Tam O'Shanter	8 c	Smith	Amer. sh.	1485	Feb. 21	Order		
Torrisdale	8 c	Buchanan	Br. 4m. bk.	2184	Feb. 6	Standard Oil Co.		
West York	5 k	....	Bri. bqe.	688	Oct. 18	Order		

Her Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Rig.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1700	12	2000	Commander F. G. De Lisle	Hongkong
Archer	cruiser 3rd class	1770	16	3500	Cmd. C. E. Kingsmill	Yokohama
Centurion*	twinscrew battle ship	10,500	41	13,000	Captain Spencer H. Login	K'loon Dock
Daphne	sloop	1140	16	2000	Commander MacArthur	Manila
Esk	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	363	9	200	Lt.-Com. H. P. Barton	Ichang
Firebrand	gunboat 2nd class	455	6	360	Lieut.-Com. Vernon Maud	Hongkong
Grafton†	twin-screw cruiser, 1st class	7350	36	12,000	Captain E. P. Jones	Hongkong
Handy	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	4000	Lieut. A. Gillespie	Hongkong
Hart	torpedo boat destroyer	260	6	4000	Lieut. H. F. Shakespear	Hongkong
Humber	storeship	1640	—	800	Commander F. W. Wyley	Hongkong
Immortalité	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	34	8500	Captain Edward Chichester	Amoy
Linnet	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	8	870	Commander R. C. Sparkes	Tientsin
Narcissus	armoured cruiser, 1st class	5600	34	8500	Captain Wm. C. C. Forsyth	Chefoo
Peacock	gunboat 1st class	750	10	1200	Lieut. P. S. St. John	Nagasaki
Pigmy	gunboat 1st class	710	10	1200	Lieut. Dormer	Bangkok
Pique	cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	9000	Capt. A. C. Curry	Singapore
Plover	gunboat 1st class	755	10	1200	Lieut. Spencer V. Y. de Horsey	Shanghai
Porpoise	cruiser 3rd class	1770	16	3500	Commander F. R. Pelly	Singapore
Rainbow	cruiser 2nd class	3600	21	9000	—	Singapore
Rattler	gunboat 1st class	715	10	1200	Lt.-Com. Hon. G. A. Hardinge	Hongkong
Redpole	gunboat 1st class	805	10	1200	Lieut.-Com. E. H. Grafton	Hankow
Swift	gun-vessel 2nd class	756	8	870	Act.-Com. Youel	Manila
Tamar	ex-transport	2047	—	—	—	Hongkong
Tweed	g-bt. 3rd class coast defence	383	5	200	—	Hongkong
Undaunted	armoured cruiser	5600	24	8500	Captain John S. Halifax	Nagasaki
Victor Emanuel	receiving ship	5157	14	—	Commodore S. Holland	Hongkong
Wivern	coast defenceship, armour	2750	12	1000	—	Hongkong

Torpedo Boats in Reserve Nos. 8, 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first class ; and 3 second class boats.

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Buller, K.C.B. † Flagship of Rear-Admiral Oxley.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Guns	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Admiral Kornieloff	Russian cruiser	1500	32	6000	Captain Molas	Manila
Admiral Nakhimoff	Russian cruiser	7781	32	9500	Captain Kesherininoff	Yokohama
Africa	Portuguese transport	1093	—	—	Capt. Antonio Sergio de Souza	Macao
Aleout	Russian gunboat	810	2	730	Captain Parenego	Vladivostock
Alger	French cruiser	4000	30	8000	Captain Boutet	Shanghai
Arcona	German cruiser	2300	16	2400	Captain Becker	Foochow
Aspic	French gunboat	475	4	450	Commander Journet	Bangkok
Bayard	French flagship	6010	26	4400	Commander Fortin	Saigon
Bengo	Portuguese gunboat	462	5	400	Capt. A. T. Da Costa e Silva	Macao
Bobre	Russian sloop	950	13	1150	Captain Molas	Nagasaki
Boston	U. S. cruiser	3000	8	3500	Captain F. Wildes	Chemulpo
Castilla	Spanish cruiser	3290	22	4400	Capt. Enrique Sanlula	Manila
Comète	French gunboat	495	4	500	Capt. Simon	Manila
Cormoran	German cruiser	1640	8	2800	Capt. Brussatis	Amoy
Detroit	U. S. cruiser	2200	16	5400	Capt. Reiter	Singapore
Dimitri Donskoi	Russian cruiser	6000	16	7000	Captain Witthofft	Chemulpo
Don Antonio de Ulloa	Spanish cruiser	1200	4	—	Capt. Duelo	Manila
Don Juan de Austria	Spanish cruiser	1130	14	1500	Commander R. P. de Bonaure	Manila
Gaidamak	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Capt. Serebrennikff	Nagasaki
General Alava	Spanish gun-vessel	1200	—	—	Capt. Ramon Rochiquet Freijillo	Manila
Gremiastchy	Russian gunboat	1490	12	1830	Capt. Bouchanoff	Nagasaki
Irene	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Commander du Bois	Nagasaki
Isly	French cruiser	4800	22	8000	Captain Pillot	Tourane
Kaiser	German flagship	7677	15	7800	Captain Zeye	Nagasaki
Koningin Wilhelmina	Nederland cruiser	—	—	—	Capt. W. J. Derx	Yokohama
Korejets	Russian sloop	1200	9	2150	Capt. Lindestroem	Yokohama
Kreiser	Russian sloop	1330	13	1200	Capt. Bekiemisheff	Nagasaki
Lion	French gunboat	500	6	500	Lieutenant Gauchet	Saigon
Machias	U. S. cruiser	1250	16	1600	Commander Mackenzie	Bangkok
Manila	Spanish transport	1057	2	1000	Captain Vinigra	Manila
Mandshur	Russian sloop	1200	9	1400	Commander Andraff	Nagasaki
Monocacy	U. S. sloop	1370	6	850	Com. Reisinger	Tientsin
Olympia	U. S. flagship	5800	14	13,500	Captain J. J. Read	On a cruise
Otvajny	Russian gunboat	1490	12	2000	Captain Radloff	Shanghai
Pamiat Azova	Russian cruiser	6060	38	8000	Captain Vireniius	Nagasaki
Panther	Austrian cruiser	1540	10	—	Commander Koppel	Hongkong
Pluvier	French gunboat	545	8	450	Lieut.-Commander Videl	Bangkok
Princess Wilhelm	German cruiser	4400	22	8000	Captain Thiele	Yokohama
Reina Cristina	Spanish cruiser	3090	19	4800	Con. Don Luis Warlein	Manila
Rurik	Russian flagship	11,500	48	13,500	Comdr. Rodionoff	Nagasaki
Silatch	Russian gunboat	—	—	—	Captain [illegible]	Vladivostock
Sivoutch	Russian cruiser	950	13	1120	Captain [illegible]	Vladivostock
Vipere	French gunboat	480	4	435	Commander [illegible]	Bangkok
Vsadnik	Russian gunboat	500	9	3500	Capt. [illegible]	Nagasaki
Yorktown	U. S. cruiser	1700	16	3350	Commander Stockton	Nagasaki
Zabiaka	Russian cruiser	1330	12	1470	Commander [illegible]	Nagasaki

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